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STEAM COMMUNICATION WITH THE MALABAR COAST CEYLON, MADRAS, AND CALCUTTA.

THE BRITISH INDIA STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY (Limited), under contract with Government, despatch Steamers as above with Mails, Passengers and Cargo every week.

The S. S. MALDA, 1,945 Tons, 300 H.P., Commander J. Sharp, will be despatched on SATURDAY the 12th February 1876, at 4 P. M.

Leaves BOMBAY.	Feb.	Leaves Tuticorin	Feb.
„ Ratnagherry	13	„ Galle	22
„ Vingoria	13	„ Negapatam	25
„ Goa	13	„ Madras	26
„ Carwar	14	„ Cocconada	29
„ Mangalore	15	„ Nagapatam ...March	1
„ Cannanore	16	„ Pulicat	1
„ Tellicherry	17	„ Pulicat	1
„ Call-ut	17	„ Calingapatam	2
„ Beypore	17	„ Coringa	2
„ Cochin	19	„ Point	3
„ Alleppey	18	Arrives CALCUTTA	5

Cargo for Singapore and China can be booked by the Steamer on this line hence on or from intermediate ports for transhipment at Galle to the Messageries Maritime Company's Steamers, which run regularly.

Also for Batavia, Sourabaya, Tjilatjap, Palembang, Pentianak, Atcheen, Padang and Moluccos Islands, to go forward by the Messageries Maritime and Netherlands India S. M. Companies.

N.B.—No Cargo will be received on the day of sailing.

W. NICOL & Co., Agents.

STEAM COMMUNICATION WITH THE PERSIAN GULF, via KURRACHEE.

Interchanging Cargo and Passengers at Bussorah, to and from Bagdad, with the Persian and Turkish Mails. Peninsular Company's Steamers.

THE BRITISH INDIA STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY'S (Limited), under Mail Contract with Government, will despatch a Steamer every week to the Persian Gulf, touching at KURRACHEE, CUTCH, MANDAVEE, BUNDER MAHROOLINGA, BUSHIRE, FAO, BUSREH, and occasionally at BAHREIN, and MAHOMERAH.

The S. S. UMBALLA, 839 Tons, 120 H. P., Commander A. L. Turner, will be despatched on FRIDAY, the 14th Feb. 1876, at 4 P.M.

Leaves BOMBAY	Feb.	Leaves BUSREH	Mar.
„ Kurrachee	15	„ Mahomerah	1
„ Muscat	18	„ Fao	3
„ Bunder Abbas	20	„ Bushire	3
„ Linga	22	„ Linga	6
„ Bahrein Abbas	10	„ Bunder Abbas	10
„ Bushire	24	„ Jask	11
„ Fao	26	„ Guader	12
„ Mahomerah	26	„ Kurrachee	17
Arrive BUSREH	27	Arrives BOMBAY	20

N.B.—No Cargo will be received on the day of sailing.

W. NICOL & Co., Agents.

STEAM COMMUNICATION WITH KURRACHEE CALLING AT KATTYAWAR COAST PORTS.

THE BRITISH INDIA STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY (Limited), under Mail Contract with Government, and in connection with the weekly service from England, will, during the Fair Season, despatch a Steamer to Kurrachee every SATURDAY, at 4 P.M., and an Extra Steamer on every MONDAY at 2 P.M.

The S. S. UMBALLA, 839 Tons, 120 H. P., Commander A. L. Turner, will be despatched on FRIDAY, the 11th Feb. 1876, at 4 P.M.

N.B.—No Cargo will be received on the day of sailing.

W. NICOL & Co., Agents.

STEAM COMMUNICATION WITH ITALY VIA SUEZ CANAL.

ITALIAN STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY of Messrs. R. RUBATTINO & Co., GENOA.

THE REGULAR STEAMERS LEAVE GENOA, and BOMBAY on the 24th, on the 1st of each month.

PASSENGERS' RATES.

(Inclusive of all Transit Fees through the Suez Canal.)

	1st Class.	2nd Class.	3rd Class.
Aden	£22	£15	£4
Suez	36	23	8
Port Said	38	24	9
Messina	50	34	14
Naples	50	34	14
Leghorn	50	34	14
Genoa	50	34	14
Marseilles	60	38	14-10

Children under 3 years, free of charge. Children not above years, half fare.

Without Wine. Without Food.

NEXT STEAMERS FROM BOMBAY:—

INDIA to sail on TUESDAY, 15th February 1876.
PERSIA to sail on WEDNESDAY, 1st March, 1876
AUSTRALIA to sail on WEDNESDAY, 15th March 1876.
SUMATRA to sail on SATURDAY, 1st April 1876.
ARABIA to sail on SATURDAY, 8th April 1876.

From the 1st January 1876 Steamers will leave Genoa on the 10th and 24th, and Bombay on the 1st and 15th of every month, until further notice.

All Steamers of this Company have large First and Second-class accommodation; and always carry a Doctor and a Stewardess on board.

The exact hour of departure will be fixed and published a day or two previous to sailing.

For hand-books of information, rates of freight, &c, apply to

C. GRONDONA,
Agent Rubattino Steam Navigation Company,
No. 9, Hummam Street.

Bombay, 8th December 1875.

ANCHOR LINE—INDIAN SERVICE.

BOMBAY TO LIVERPOOL, VIA SUEZ CANAL.

THE following or other First Steamers of the ANCHOR LINE will sail from GLASGOW and LIVERPOOL to PORT SAID—SUEZ, and BOMBAY, and from BOMBAY SUEZ, PORT SAID, GIBRALTAR and LIVERPOOL:—

	Tons	H.P.	From Glasgow.	From Liverpool.	From Bombay.
EUROPA	2,777	424	1st Jan.	8th Jan.	28th Jan.
TRIPOLI	2,731	600	22nd Jan.	29th Jan.	11th Feb.
MACEDONIA	2,272	424	19th Feb.	26th Feb.	8th April.

And regularly thereafter, further sailings being arranged according to the requirements of the trade.

All the steamers of this Line carry a SURGEON and STEWARDESS, and have superior First Class accommodation fitted with every convenience.

Passengers and Cargo booked through to New York in connection with the Anchor Line Transatlantic Service.

	FARES FROM BOMBAY TO LIVERPOOL.	SUEZ.
FIRST CLASS	Rs. 500	Rs. 350

A reduction of 15 per cent. will be given on Return Passage to all who re-embark by Anchor Line Steamer within twelve months of time of landing.

For Passage, Freight, &c., apply to

W. & A. GRAHAM & Co., Agents.

Bombay, 24th January 1876.

"WILSON" LANE.

LIVERPOOL VIA SUEZ CANAL.

TO LEAVE ABOUT 12TH FEBRUARY.

THE Steam-ship RINALDO, 1,840 Tons.

The accommodation of this Steamer not being equal to that of the larger vessels of Messrs. Wilson's Fleet, the passage money to

LIVERPOOL is reduced to ..... Rs. 400

(Exclusive of Wines and Spirits.)

For Passage and further particulars apply to

GRINDLAY, GROOM & Co.,
W. NICOL & Co., Agents.

Bombay, 12th January 1876.

SHIPPING.

PENINSULAR AND ORIENTAL COMPANY.

THE following or other first-class Vessels will be despatched for EUROPE:—

Vessels' Names.	Captains	Tons.	H.P.	Feb. 1876.	
NILE M	A. B. Farlow	3725	450	14th	Southampton
KAISAR-I-HIND	E. L. Baker	3611	400	21st	Suez, &c.
PESHAWAR	C. A. White	3781	600	28th	Southampton, March.
CEYLON	J. Orman	3111	450	6th	Suez, &c.
MEDJIDIEH	D. Renoldson	2984	450	13th	Southampton.
TRAVANCORE	W. B. Andrews	1900	400	20th	Suez, &c.
PEKIN	W. Woolcott	4777	600	27th	Southampton.

Passengers are booked to Malta, Gibraltar and Southampton by every Mail. The Southampton Steamers proceed to that port direct; but by the alternate Steamers passengers change Portalls at Suez.

Passengers to Brindisi, Ancona, and Venice are carried by every Steamer, but proceed by rail from Suez to Alexandria.

Passengers are requested to send their heavy baggage to Managon, on the day of the Steamer's departure, before 10 A.M., in order that it may be weighed and labelled previous to shipment.

A small Steamer will leave the New Dock Head at Managon at 9 P.M. precisely on the day of sailing.

GEORGE F. HENRY, Superintendent.

Bombay, 14th January 1876.

SPEAR TO CEYLON, PENANG, STRAITS, CHINA, AND JAPAN.

On TUESDAY, the 8th Feb. 1876, at 8 P.M., from Massaoa.

THE P. and O. Co.'s S. S. TEHERAN, Captain A. H. Johnson, (2,569 Tons, and 400 H. P.), will be despatched as above carrying H. M.'s Mails and taking also Passengers and Cargo for Madras and Calcutta.

No Cargo will be received on board after sunset on the day previous to sailing, and no brokerage will be allowed on any claim of opium, the officer's receipt for which is not indorsed in the Company's Office before noon, on SATURDAY, the 5th February 1876.

GEORGE F. HENRY,
Bombay, 25th January 1876. Superintendent.

ANCHOR LINE—INDIAN SERVICE.

FOR LIVERPOOL VIA SUEZ CANAL, PORT SAID, AND GIBRALTAR.

(TO SAIL POSITIVELY ON WEDNESDAY, 23RD FEB.)

THE powerful Steamer EUROPA, 2,777 Tons, 424 H. P., Captain J. R. M'KAY, will sail from BOMBAY to LIVERPOOL, VIA SUEZ, PORT SAID and GIBRALTAR, on WEDNESDAY, the 23rd Feb., positively.

For passage, apply to

W. & A. GRAHAM & Co., Agents.

Bombay, 27th January 1876.

BOMBAY TO LIVERPOOL, VIA SUEZ CANAL.

TO SAIL ABOUT 20TH FEBRUARY.

THE fine steamer EARL KING, 2,178 Tons Register, 200 H. P., nominal, classed 100 A 1 at Lloyd's, will be despatched for LIVERPOOL about the 20th February. This Steamer has a perior First-Class accommodation, and carries a SURGEON and STEWARDESS.

For Passage, &c., apply to

W. & A. GRAHAM & Co., Agents.

BOMBAY TO LIVERPOOL, VIA SUEZ CANAL.

TO SAIL IN THE BEGINNING OF MARCH.

THE new Steamer BRANKSOME HALL, 2,063 Tons Register, 300 H. P. nominal, Captain COLLIN, will be despatched from BOMBAY for LIVERPOOL via SUEZ CANAL early in March.

This Steamer has been built expressly for the Trade and has superior accommodation for 30 First-Class Passengers, and being very fast and can be depended upon to make a quick passage Home.

For Passage, &c., apply to

W. & A. GRAHAM & Co., Agents.

Bombay, 5th February 1876.

AUSTRO-HUNGARIAN LLOYD'S STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY.

STEAMERS BETWEEN BOMBAY AND SUEZ CANAL.

Steamer CA... 200 H.P., will be ... or about the 10th

To Trieste	£30 0	Deck. £18 0
„ Port Said	£30 0	£13 2
„ Suez	£28 0	£12 5

Children under 3 years of age, FREE: above 3 and under 10 years, HALF FARE.

For further particulars, and for Freight and Passage, apply to the AGENCY of THE AUSTRO-HUNGARIAN LLOYD'S STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY.

A. C. GUMPERT, Agent.

Bombay Green, 12th January 1876.

SALES BY AUCTION.

DINSHAW HORMUSJEE & COMPANY, No. 8, MEADOW STREET.

AUCTION SALE OF LANDED PROPERTY.

On THURSDAY, the 10th February, at 4 P.M., Messrs DINSHAW HORMUSJEE & Co. will sell by Public Auction on the premises, by order of the Owner, and with the consent of the Mortgagee.

All that Piece or Parcel of Land or Ground, with 6 storied-house built thereon, situated, lying, and being in Nanabhoy Bomanjee Lane within the Fort of Bombay, and assessed by the Collector of Assessment under No. 61, and entered in the Collector's Book under Nos. 398 and 46, containing by admeasurement 73 square yards, be the same little more or less, and bounded as follows:—On the east by the house of Byramjee Jamsetjee Motteewalla, on the west by the house of Cowasjee Dhunjeebhoy Dewvalla, on the north by the Sweeper's passage, and on the south by the Nanabhoy Bomanjee Lane.

For particulars and conditions of sale apply to the Undersigned.

SALE OF VALUABLE LANDED PROPERTY SITUATE AT GRANT ROAD.

In pursuance and in exercise of the power of Sale contained in an indenture of Mortgage bearing date the 25th day of January 1871, made between Dulputram Hurgovun of the one part, and the Hon'ble (now Sir) Munmohandas Nathoobhoy of the other part, Messrs. DINSHAW HORMUSJEE & Co. are instructed to Sell by Public Auction, on the premises, the following property, on WEDNESDAY, the 16th day of February, at 3 P.M.

All that piece or parcel of Land or Ground, with the Bungalow and Out-houses and Compound situate, lying and being by the side of the Grant Road, in the Island of Bombay, containing by admeasurement 1 bi and one ninth square yards, be the same little more or less, and bounded as follows (i.e.), on or towards the east by the property of Dossa Kirpail, on or towards the west by the property of Lila Gunsher, on or towards the south by the open drain by the side of Grant Road aforesaid, and on or towards the south by a vacant piece of ground belonging to Khoja Ladsek Hadjee, and the said land and premises are ascertained by measurement to contain 1,100 square yards, and are situate in the sub district of Mazagon and on the south side of the Grant Road aforesaid, and were formerly and are now in the occupation of Pestonjee Dadabhoy Wadia, and are assessed under No 6.

The land is held under a lease dated 1st December 1857 for 99 years renewable in perpetuity.

For further particulars and conditions of Sale apply to the Auctioneers, or at the Office of Messrs. FLETCHER and SMITH, Solicitors, for the Mortgagee.

DINSHAW HORMUSJEE & Co.

Bombay, 8th February 1876.

SADANUND SHRICRISTNAJEE AND CO.

SALE OF VERY SUPERIOR AND CHOICE OIL PAINTINGS AND OLEOGRAPHS IN FANCY GILT FRAMES BY THE BEST ARTISTES.

(WITHOUT RESERVE.)

THIS DAY, TUESDAY, the 8th instant, Messrs. SHRICRISTNAJEE & Co. will sell by Public Auction at their Auction Room, an Invoice of The Blouse Greek and Romania Girl, Marriage of the Prince of Wales, Table d'Hote, Marguerite, Madonna, Feeding-Time, Winter in the Haitz, Winter in Hollo'd, De'arture, Unlovited Guest, Harvest Girl, Language of Flowers, Battle-piece, Contemplation, Sleeping Madonna and Child, Detected Letter, Preparing for Dinner, Solitude, Mother's Treasure, Great Eastern, The Pope, The Evening, Mother's Happiness, Judith, Listening to the Bird, Scene on the Coast of Holland, Lady Bird, Broad Path, Christian Martyr.

5 Bales Grey Shirting 84 lbs.
3 do do T Cloth.
2 Cases Coloured Muslins.
2 do do Prints.
A few Dressing Glasses.
1 Case Scent Bottles, Flower Vases, &c., &c.

S. SHRICRISTNAJEE & Co.

Bombay, 8th February 1876.

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

THERE are few remaining BUNGALOWS TO LET at MATHERAN for the MARCH SEASON:—

Names of the Bungalows.

The Byre.	Maldoonga House.
Sir Bartle Frere's large Bungalow.	Hill House.
The Hermitage.	Caraish Barn.
Steam Cottage.	The Wilderness.
The Shelly.	Upna Cottage.
Rose Cottage.	Tamara Cottage.
Terrace Cottage.	Gerout Hall.
Cosmo Cottage.	Florence Lodge.
Forest Lodge.	Alladin House.
Rowet Lodge.	Barr's Cottage.
Keep Safe.	Red House.
Connon's Lodge.	Wadia Lodge.
Marsh Cottage.	The Under Fleet Wood.
Parbut House.	

For plans and list of furniture, apply to

P. BYRAMJEE,
28, Meadow Street. House Agent.

ONE RESIDENCE in ELPHINSTONE CIRCLE. Rent Rs. 35. Apply to

P. BYRAMJEE.
28, Meadow Street. House Agent.

FRESH ARRIVALS OF

MRS. A. ALLEN'S HAIR RESTORER.
CLARKE'S BLOOD MIXTURE.
CLARKE'S 81 PILLS.
SYRUP OF HYPOPHOSPHITE OF LIME.
DR. J. AYER'S AMERICAN REMEDIES.
STEEDMAN'S SOOTHING POWDERS.
CODLIVER OIL, BRANDY.
CULLNET'S CARBOLIC MEDICINAL SOAPS.
&c. &c. &c.

M. B. MADON & Co.,
WHOLESALE AND RETAIL DRUGGISTS AND CHEMISTS,
69, Esplanade, Rooma Mundil, Bombay.

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

CONSIGNEES of CARGO per S.S. PALM, arrived from LIVERPOOL, are requested to PAY FREIGHT and SEND their BILLS of LADING and DELIVERY ORDERS for our inspection and countersignature. As the CARGO will be LANDED in the PASSOON DOCK, Consignees can obtain delivery of their Goods there, and early application is requested. No claim for damage, short delivery or breakage will be admitted under any circumstances, unless passed by the Captain before the departure of the vessel.

DAVID SASSOON & Co.,
Bombay, 7th February 1876. Agents s.s. Palm.

MOSLEY HALL.

THE AMATEURS of the QUEEN'S will perform on TUESDAY, 8th, THURSDAY, 10th, and on SATURDAY, 12th, STAFF NIGHT.

PERFORMANCE at 8-45.

ADMISSION on 8th and 10th—Front Seats, Re. 1; Second, Annas Eight; Back Seats, Annas Four.

On SATURDAY, 12th, Staff Night—Front Seats, Re. 2; Second, Re. 1; Back, Annas Eight.

The entertainment will consist of the laughable farce of "OLD GOOSEBERRY."

Comic Song, Recitation and the Burlesque of ROBIN HOOD.

FRAMJEE COWASJEE INSTITUTE.

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 10TH,
FRIDAY, „ 11TH.

THE WORLD-RENOWNED

DAVENPORT BROTHERS
AND
PROFESSOR FAY.

THEIR UNIQUE AND STARTLING WONDERS,

Mysterious displays, and unaccountable Manifestations have been given in the presence of the Crowned Heads and Nobility of Europe, and before large and intelligent assemblages throughout the civilized world. Their profoundly

MYSTERIOUS POWERS

Have astonished the wisest of all Countries, and the most learned have been forced by overwhelming evidence to acknowledge them as inexplicable!

No Complicated or Glittering Apparatus for Deception used.

STARTLING WONDERS
AND
MYSTERIOUS MOVEMENTS ARE PRODUCED BY
INVISIBLE AGENCIES.

MUSICAL INSTRUMENTS

Are made to play in the most extraordinary manner and in the most profound and mysterious way. Human Hands and Arms become visible to the whole Audience, which, through ignorance and superstition, have been attributed to

WITCHCRAFT AND DEMONOLOGY.

PART FIRST.
THE MYSTERIOUS CABINET,
BY THE
DAVENPORT BROTHERS.
PART SECOND.
INEXPLICABLE DARK SEANCE,
BY PROFESSOR FAY.

Doors open at 8 o'clock; commence at 9 precisely.
Reserved Seats, numbered, Rs. 4. Unreserved Seats, Rs. 2, Gallery, Rs. 1.

Family Tickets to admit 3 to Reserved Seats, Rs. 10.

Tickets to be obtained at SOUNDY and Co., where a plan of the Hall may be seen.

Applications for private Séances to be made to SOUNDY & Co., where terms may be ascertained.

GRANT ROAD THEATRE.

LEWIS' DRAMATIC AND BURLESQUE COMPANY

Will perform in Bombay for a short Season,

THIS EVENING, TUESDAY, 8TH FEB.,

THE

GRAND IRISH SENSATIONAL DRAMA IN THREE ACTS,

OF

BOUCICAULT'S
COLLEEN BAWN;
OR
THE BRIDE OF GARRYOWEN.

Mrs. G. B. W. Lewis	as	Bily O'Connor.
Mr. Geo. W. Carey	as	Myles-na-Coppaleen.

CAST OF CHARACTERS.

Hardress Cregan	Mr. Henry Arelint.
Kyrle Daly	Mr. Lionel Harding.
Father Tom	Mr. W. H. Wallace.
Mr. O'Moore	Mr. Harry Burton.
Mr. Corrigan	Mr. Robert C. Cottier.
Hyland Cregan	Mr. Chas. H. Palmer.
Myles-na-Coppaleen	Mr. George W. Carey.
Danny Mann	Mr. M. Comerford.
Servant	Master Geo. Boyer.
Corporal	Mr. Edmund West.
Miss Cregan	Miss Rosa Cooper.
Anne Chute	Miss Tilly Earl.
Bily O'Connor	Mrs. G. B. W. Lewis
Sheelah	Miss Agnes Beaton.

Act 1st.—The Residence of Mrs. Cregan on the Banks of the Killarney—The Gap of Dunloe an hour before sunrise. The interior of Bily's Cottage on Muckross Head.

Act 2nd.—The Gap of Dunloe—a room in Mrs. Cregan's house—Interior of Bily's Cottage—the old Weir Bridge or Wood on the verge of the Lake—Exterior of Myle's Shanty—a Cave.

Act 3rd.—Interior of an Irish Cottage—a Room in Castle Chute—The exterior of Myle's Shanty—The outside of Castle Chute—Ball-room in Castle Chute.

Leader of Orchestra	Mr. Charles A. Boyd.
Scenic Artist	Mr. G. Perriman.
Mechanist	Mr. Harry Pitt.

PRICES OF ADMISSION.

Dress Circle	Rs. 4
Family tickets to admit three	„ 10
Only to be had at SOUNDY & Co.	
Stalls	Rs. 3
Gallery	„ 2

Doors open at half-past 8. Performance to commence at 9.

BOMBAY YACHT CLUB REGATTA.

THIS DAY.

FIRST SAILING MATCH to start punctually at 2 P.M.
FIRST ROWING MATCH, at 5 P.M.
Members are requested to send to the Office of the Undersigned for the programme.

F. D. PARKER,
Honorary Secretary.

BOMBAY BAPTIST CHURCH.—The FANCY BAZAAR in the Town Hall will be opened TO-DAY, at noon, by BRIGADIER GENERAL CAVELL, and close a 9 P.M. The Band of the 20th Native Infantry will play from half-past 5 till 7 P.M.

HOPE'S INDIAN PHOTOGRAPHS.

SIZE 10 BY 8 INCHES.

PRICE Rs. 1-8 EACH, MOUNTED OR UNMOUNTED.

CONSISTING of VIEWS of Bombay; Banks of the Godavery, Nassick; Oodeypore, Rajpootana; Jubulpore; Marble Rocks on the Nerbudda, &c. &c.

Lists sent on application.

COOPER & Co., Meadow Street, Bombay.

NEW SYSTEM OF LIFE ASSURANCE.

THE POSITIVE
GOVERNMENT SECURITY
LIFE ASSURANCE COMPANY, LIMITED.

BOMBAY BRANCH OFFICES,
4, HORNBY ROW.

This Company makes no charge for medical examination. The charge that used to be made for Assurances under Rs. 5,000 has been abolished. The Company now pays the fee on ALL ASSURANCES, so that intending Assurers have only to pay the premium.

THE NEW SYSTEM OF RESERVING AND INVESTING FOR POLICY-HOLDERS IN GOVERNMENT SECURITIES THE ENTIRE NET PREMIUMS.

THE ONLY EQUITABLE SYSTEM OF LIFE ASSURANCE.

QUARTERLY PREMIUMS FOR A LIMITED TERM OF 30 YEARS.

An European between the ages of 20 and 45, by setting aside small sums ranging from Rs. 2-1-10 to Rs. 3-10-8 monthly, will be able to pay a quarterly premium sufficient to secure for his family at his death ONE THOUSAND RUPEES.

Should the assured live to pay up all his Premiums (120), he will have the satisfaction of knowing that he has no more to pay, and that this ONE THOUSAND RUPEES is secured to his heirs, executors, or assigns, free from all costs and of any deduction whatever.

The Policies of this Company cover the risk of travelling anywhere, by any mode of conveyance, and of residence in any part of the world.

TRUSTEES OF BOMBAY LIFE FUND
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FISHER.
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SIDNEY SMITH, Esq., M.D.

PROSPECTUSES, AND ALL INFORMATION REGARDING THE COMPANY, MAY BE HAD ON APPLICATION TO

J. SCOTT,
Agent for Bombay, 4, Hornby Row.

SPECIAL SHORT ADVERTISEMENTS.

Bombay Harbour Survey. Wanted 2 Draughtsmen to print and figure well. Apply, Lieut. PALMER's office opposite the High Court, bringing certificates and drawings.

FOR SALE.—NGINE, BOILER, SHAFT and SCREW complete for a Steam Launch, cheap. Apply to "J." care of the *Bombay Gazette* Office.

FOR SALE.—A handsome Grand Square SYMPATHETIC PIANO, by Messrs. S. ROSS & Co., nearly new. Price Rs. 600 only.
Apply to "A. B." care of the *Bombay Gazette* Office.

TREACHER & COMPANY, LD.

THE COMPANY have on sale at their several establishments a LARGE COLLECTION of Ladies' and Gentlemen's DRESSING BAGS, very completely and handsomely fitted, also TRAVELLING, COURIER and MONEY BAGS, and a neat selection of Ladies' HAND BAGS, the style and finish of which are unequalled by any in Bombay. The undernoted will be a guide to intending purchasers.

The REGISTERED DRESSING BAG, which is so constructed that the fittings can be completely closed in when not required for use, thus adding the convenience of a useful TRAVELLING BAG.

FOR GENTLEMEN,	FOR LADIES,
IN MOROCCO OR RUSSIA LEATHER,	IN MOROCCO OR RUSSIA LEATHER,
From Rs. 100 to Rs. 300.	From Rs. 115 to Rs. 400.

TRAVELLING HAND BAGS,
IN RUSSIA OR MOROCCO LEATHER AND WATERPROOF CANVAS,
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A European Gentleman's wife arrived from Calcutta as a CLOWN, will amuse the audience THIS EVENING. Every satisfaction will be given by him.

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COMMERCIAL INTELLIGENCE

MONDAY EVENING, 7TH FEB. 1876.

With the exception of a quotation of 5d. per lb. for Good Fair Omra G. F. clause February shipment by Cape, Reuter's closing telegram of Saturday evening gives no Cotton Market information not already noticed in our issue of this morning, and to-day's opening report merely gives the tone in Liverpool as unchanged probable sales 10,000 actual imports 17,000 bales.

From New York Saturday's telegram still quotes ready Mid-Uplands at 13¼ cents, April shipment 13 7-16th cents per lb., and Gold and Exchange on London are unaltered at 113 and dols. 4·86 per £ sterling respectively. The receipts of Cotton at the ports are as follows :—

	1876	1875	1874
Saturday's Receipts	19,000	14,000	19,000
Total since 1st Sept.	3,093,000	2,640,000	2,717,000

At the East India Wool sales in Liverpool a better tone has apparently been manifested at the close, and the late decline has been recovered.

Coffee in London is steady but unchanged in price. The stock of this article at all European ports is estimated at 94,000 tons. Cocoanut Oil and Seeds are unchanged.

Enfaced Rupee Paper in London has declined one per cent. on the week except for Fives-and-a-half, the quotations now being :—Fours, 87 ; Fours-and-a-half, 88 ; Fives-and a-half, 93. Indian Bank shares are quoted the same as last week with the one exception of Hongkong and Shanghai which are £1 per share higher.

The weekly return of the Bank of France shows Total Coin £68,625,000, against £67,875,000, and Notes in Circulation £100,625,000 ; against £99,875,000 on the previous week.

Consols this morning are quoted at 94½, French Rentes at 104½.

Business here to-day has been very dull, the usual Mail day quietness being augmented by the Moharrum holidays.

The Bank of Bombay return for the week ending on the 5th instant compares with the previous week as follows :—

Government Balance at H. O.	Inc. Rs.	11,49 160
Do do Branches	Inc.	» 4,75,875
Deposits	Dec.	» 5,14,446
Government Securities.....	Dec.	» 3,86,044
Loans	Inc.	» 8 964
Bills Discounted.....	Inc.	» 3,36,450
Cash with Correspondents	Inc.	» 2,19,003
Cash and Currency Notes	Inc.	» 9,11,102

The increase in the Cash Balance it will be observed is entirely due to the Government receipts, and it cannot therefore be regarded as indicating an increase of strength to the Bank. On the contrary, the public demand for money is again slightly larger, although not to an extent which can have any appreciable influence on the market.

With nothing new from home either as regards Bar Silver or Council Drafts, STERLING EXCHANGE has retained much the same tendency as on Saturday. The Banks have been fairly willing drawers at previous rates, ls. 8⅛d. for demand and ls. 9¼d. for 6 months' sight, but there are extremely few sellers of private bills and for these we quote a decline of 1/32d. to 1/16d. per rupee, making credits 3 months' sight ls. 9·1/16d. to 3/32d. Documents ls. 9¼d. per rupee.

On Calcutta rates are firmer and we now quote demand at par to 1/16 per cent premium. For 60-days' sight 99⅜ is still the nominal quotation, no sellers.

In GOVERNMENT PAPER there is nothing doing, and rates, although nominally the same, are barely supported. We call Fours, Rs. 102 ; Fours-and-a-half Rs. 102¾ ; Fives-and-a-half, Rs. 106 to ¼.

The SHARE MARKET has been partially closed to-day owing to the Moharrum holidays and but very little business has been done. Bank of Bombays are firmer and have recovered to 41 per cent premium. New Berar Press Co.'s shares have declined Rs. 5, while Indian Press Co.'s have advanced Rs. 15 per share. The only movement in Spinning and Weaving Scrip is a decline of Rs. 5 per share in Orientals.

The COTTON MARKET at Colaba this morning was very thinly attended and but very little business was done although prices are again the turn in favour of buyers. Fair Oomrawuttee full pressed has been bought at Rs. 145 and half pressed Ginned Broach at Rs. 200 per candy. Up-country the Markets are closed for the Moharrum. Receipts into Bombay on Saturday were 4,240 bales, making 7,970 bales for the three days.

FREIGHTS are depressed at a further decline. For Liverpool by Steamer a considerable quantity of cargo has been booked at £1-15, although for small lots £1-17·6 is asked. By sail the Varuna still holds for £2-5, but the speculators have been giving out orders at £2-2 6 for Feb. shipment by an iron vessel to be afterwards named.

PIECE GOODS have not moved in any way and prices are nominally the same but with next to nothing doing.

COALS.—Rumours of the possibility of a war with China and the heavy drop in Exchange has imparted great firmness and an advance of fully a rupee per ton has taken place without bring out buyers. Supplies on the way are light and it seems by no means improbable that we may see a further advance especially as freights here offer no inducement for steamers to come out.

BOMBAY BILL AND STOCK LIST.

BANKS.

	Cash Rates per Share.
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...engal	1,400 xd
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CALCUTTA MONEY MARKET.

"ENGLISHMAN," OFFICE, Thursday.

NATIVE holidays have interfered with the regular course of business this week, and scarcely a thing was done until yesterday morning. The all-absorbing topic with business men continues to be the position of the exchanges between India and England, and much has been written and said on the subject. The fall in the gold value of the rupee has not been arrested, and the lower the rate goes, there is the less appearance of a firm check. In Bombay, the demand rate has touched 1-8⅝ per rupee, and silver can be imported there from Europe at the same price, taking into account the premium at present obtainable on bars in the bazaar. The worst part of the situation is, that it is extremely difficult to form any intelligent estimate of the forces now weighing so heavily against silver ; for some years, it has been evident that the value of that metal was running away from gold, and down to something like 1-10 per rupee the fall created no great surprise, but certainly there is nothing publicly known as to increased actual outturn from the mines, to strengthen a belief that a further gradual divergence between gold and silver *must* follow. In the absence of reliable information as to what amounts of silver have been raised from the earth of late years, anything indirectly bearing on the subject is of value. The imports of silver into England may be considered to have some weight ; five years ago the average price of silver was about 60½d. per oz., and the import into England was at that time about 16 millions sterling for the year. Since then the sterling price of the metal has gradually declined, and so has the import until during last year the amount brought in was only some 9 millions. The great reduction in the demand for India and the East quite explains why the London market does not now require so much silver as it used to do, but if the production of it has really been going on in the increasing ratio so strongly asserted, in quarters likely to be well informed, where has the surplus gone to ? Either the presumably well-informed people have been misinformed for once, or fresh outlets for the metal have been found somewhere, and in either case the natural conclusion seems to be that the present low prices are not mainly attributable to an increased production, but greatly to some other and less abiding cause. There can be little doubt that a point has been reached, or is nearly reached, at which it will not pay to work some of the existing mines ; others there are whose profits (if accounts be true) are so large, that a further considerable reduction in price would not interfere with the extent of their supplies, and lately there have been glowing accounts of freshly discovered fields for mining, in California and other remote parts of America, which are to give an easy yield on a fabulous scale, but anticipations of mining results have so very frequently proved fallacious, that too implicit confidence need not yet be placed in these glowing accounts. Of course, it is quite possible that such enormous stores of silver may some day be discovered, as will reduce its value to that of a common metal, but there is the same possibility as to gold, and going merely by what is known, no one can say decidedly that there is no chance, or even probability, of a reaction from present depression. India, for example, in exchange for its produce, has of late years been supplied with Manchester goods, much in excess of its wants, and its regular consumption of silver has been supplied almost entirely by stocks previously existing in the country, to an extent that renders a resumption of supplies from outside a matter of necessity ere long. There are also several European countries with a professedly silver currency, who have been making paper answer the purpose since fighting each other has become so much the fashion ; and last, though far from least, there is France, which would be immensely benefited by an opportunity of paying cheap silver in redemption of its paper currency, or such part of it as might be deemed judicious. In the face of all this it can hardly be asserted with confidence, that the present depression is entirely due to permanent causes, whilst, if some or all of the abovenamed possible influences were to begin to work freely, it is very probable a strong rebound would be witnessed. The really important point to ascertain is, at what price can mines work at a profit, taking an average of them all round ? Until that is known approximately, the situation cannot be properly judged of. No one has a greater interest in finding out the facts than the Indian Government, and it would be well worth their while sending two or three properly qualified persons to the mining countries of the world to investigate and report.

The immense quantities of silver that Germany has realized, and has yet to realize, and the forcing of other stocks on the market under influence of panic caused by low prices, and that at a time when this and other important consumers of silver are not taking any, must certainly be a potent influence, lowering the price, for the time, much below a normal level. Germany is not forcing sales, and would not be likely to do so in a rising market, having no pressing necessities, so that anything like an ordinary demand would be likely to run the market up, as rapidly as it has been run down ; the truth is, the market has not been tested for some time, and although it appears weak, it may intrinsically be stronger than it looks.

If the Secretary of State for India could suspend his drawings for a short time, there is little doubt the market would be tested. His requirements for remittance from India to England are, of course, not to be got over ; they are as necessary as return remittances are for any article sent out from this country for sale, but if, in the course of his fortnightly sales, he should have the opportunity of relieving [illegible], from which he suffers as much as any one [illegible] not be accused of managing the business of the country in the interest of private traders ; there is surely nothing undignified in Government managing its own finances with the tact of a banker ; some think they should go further in a case of emergency like the present, the interest of being so closely bound up with the interests of Government, but leaving that point aside, there is a general opinion that Government, for its own sake, ought to do something decided at the present conjuncture. Some of those who have written on the subject lately advocate the taking up of large sterling loans, bringing out silver, and redeeming a corresponding amount of the rupee loans. That would be a good operation, provided silver is really now at its lowwest ; but would it be right for Government to speculate on that, and could it be carried out ?—would parliament authorize loans being raised in England to such an extent and to certain derangement of the home money market ?—and could the requisite quantity of rupee paper be obtained from its holders, unless on most onerous terms ? But it would be quite different for Government to raise the fresh loans it requires, for railways and such like, in England, in place of India. Much can be said in favour of such a course ; for one thing, a fresh loan here would not be very popular, after the effect of the last whilst in England, it would be taken readily ; this interest, of course, would have to be paid in gold, but the loan itself would be raised in gold, which would, practically in its application, be turned into silver, and so neutralize the disadvantage. By stopping, or greatly reducing, Council bills, until such a loan was used up, the real weakness or strength of the silver market would soon be tested. If it should be found out that the situation is really intrinsically bad, things could then be left to their course to find a natural level ; but that they should be left to go from bad to worse, when a moderate and legitimate action on the part of Government would very likely avert great loss to itself and possible ruin to many private individuals, is a course that will surely be avoided. The present is no ordinary crisis, and demands special consideration.

Yesterday's telegrams report that no Council bills were issued then ; Reuter states that a certain sum was issued at 1-9⅛, but private telegrams of greater reliance state that nothing was issued, and certainly no large buyer would give 1-9¼, when he could tay down silver at 1-8 7/8 ; the amount actually issued must therefore have been very small, or of a special nature. If the stoppage is merely a temporary thing, based on no coming operation such as a sterling loan, the good of it is not apparent. A subsequent increase would probably more than neutralize the present good effect. It is to be hoped, however, that yesterdey's firmness at the India Office may be a prelude to some effectual dealing with the difficulty.

The money market keeps very easy, and the cash in Bank of Bengal has this week increased 15 lakhs. The public demand has increased 6 lakhs, but the Treasury balances have gone up 18½ lakhs, and the investment account decreased 2½ lakhs, which accounts for the larger amount of cash on hand. The proportion of cash to liabilities is 61½ per cent.

EXCHANGE.

Sterling opened very dull, and a fair amount of buying took place at 1/[illegible] Bank bills at six months' sight also telegraphic t[illegible] to a large extent, at 2/- [illegible]ghest rat[illegible] vera deliv[illegible] ...ers, again constitutes providing themselves so far for what is up to May. Credits were done to 1-8 3/16 to 1-8⅜, and documents at 1-8 5/16 to 1-9 3/8, but yesterday afternoon a reaction set in, and to-day buyers are very stiff. Credits have been scarcely saleable at 1-9 5/16, and only private buyers have accepted 1-9⅜. Document bills have gone at 1-9 7/16 for sompe sums, and of 60 days for a premium. The closing quotations look strong and are as under :

Bank Telegraphic	1-8 13/16
Bank Bills, on demand.....	1-8 15/16 to 1-9 1/16
Ditto, three months' sight.....	1-9 to 1/16
Ditto, six months' sight.....	1-9 3/16 to ¼
Credits and Clean House Paper,	
one months sight.....	1-9⅜ to 7/16
Documents Bills ditto	1-9⅜

FREIGHTS.—Business was done before the Holidays at £2-2 3d. for six months' sight document bills, but the price is now £2-2 7 to £2-2 7½, and for three months' 3 pennies lower.

SPECIE.—Bank demand is quoted par to ⅛ annas premium, and sixty days' 10 annas discount.

OPIUM.—Quotations are nominal, at about 224 for thirty-day private paper.

SPECIE AND SILVER.

The market is unchanged in tone, but there has been rather more doing to-day.

COTTON.—The market kept very firm until to-day, when a little tame [illegible] has slightly damped the enquiry, but there is no appearance of a break in prices. Coorn have receipted from 11 up to 2 premium, and back again to 1½, and sold 4 bales from 2½ up to 3 premium, and later at 2½, whilst only small lots of Sconi-Oomra bales, have been done to-day at 2½ to 3 premium. Closing quotations are :—

4 per cents.	(1)1/2/3
4½ per cents.	1/2/3
5 per cents.	1/2/3
5½ per cents.	1/2/3

Bank Shares per Bombay Share List of 27th January are quoted and wanted.

Bank of Bengal 1,400 xd Sellers.

Bank of Bombay 705 Sellers.

Bank of Madras 1,200 Sellers.

Bank of Upper India 410 Sellers.

Bank of Asia 190 Sellers.

Bank of Hindostan 109 Sellers.

Bank of Calcutta 410 Sellers.

Bank of Western India 275 Sellers.

Bank of China, Japan and India 3 5 Sellers.

Bank of Egypt 190 Sellers.

Bank of India, Australia and China 275 Sellers.

Bank of New South Wales 220 Sellers.

Bank of Madras 190 Sellers.

Bank of Bombay 41

ELEGRAMS FOR MBAY GAZETTE.

REVENUE JURISDIC- ION BILL.

ALLAHABAD, 7TH FEB.

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[REUTER'S TELEGRAMS.]

THE PRINCESS OF WALES.

LONDON, 7TH FEB.

Her Royal Highness the Princess Alexandra has arrived in London from Copenhagen.

THE NEW VICEROY.

Lord Lytton will embark from Brindisi on board the steamer Orontes which will leave Portsmouth on the 1st proximo.

LONDON, 5TH FEB., AFT.

The Liverpool Cotton Market closed steady. Surats very dull.

The London Cotton Market has been dull.

Fair Dhollera	4¾d.
Exchange on India.....	1s. 9⅞d.
Oriental Bank Shares	£46
Chartered „ „	£17-10
Do. Mercantile „	£25
Hongkong and Shanghai.....	£28
Total Coin in the Bank of France..	£68,625,000
Total Notes in circulation	£100,625,000
4 per cent. Rupee Paper.....	87
4½ per cent. do.	88
5 per cent. do.	93
3 per cent. Consols for Account ...	94⅝
6 per cent. French Rente 1872....	104½

Arrival.—Zampa.

THE Prince of Wales having completed his round of visits will now enjoy some rest from public displays, Municipal and other addresses, and will pass his time in shooting and sporting excursions in Naini Tal, Kumaon Terai and Nepaul Terai, for the remainder of this month, up to the 3rd of March, when His Royal Highness will reach Bareilly, proceed to Allahabad, Kundwa and Indore, which he will reach on the 5th of March and where he will remain the guest of H. H. Holkar till the 7th. The Prince will then go to Nandgaum and Ellora, arrive in Bombay on the 10th March and embark in the Serapis on his return home. The special correspondents have all of them now left the Prince, Reuter's Agent alone accompanying him to Nepaul, whence all items of importance will, to use a word lately coined, be "wired" to the press.

INFORMATION was received in Calcutta by telegraph on Friday last that the Home Council made no allotment of bills in London on Wednesday.

FROM Messrs. Thomas Watson and Co.'s tea report we see that the total quantity of Indian tea exported in January last was 2,712,194lbs., as compared with 2,124,909lbs. exported in January 1875.

FOUR officers from the Meean Meer garrison are under orders to proceed at once to Dalhousie on court martial duty, for the purpose of trying a sergeant belonging to the 81st Regiment there under a very serious charge.

THE following is the result of the opium sale, held at the Government Sale room, No. 2, Bankshall Street, on Friday last:—

	Chests.	Highest.	Lowest.	Average.	Proceeds.
Behar	3,765	1,300	1,205	1,296 13 10	29,98,500 0 0
Benares ...	2,265	1,235	1,225	1,231 6 2	20,73,200 0 0

IT is stated by a Rangoon paper that a new sub-division of that portion of the Toungoo District bordering on Karennee, will shortly be created, and Mr. Buckle, Assistant Commissioner, who has lately been relieved of charge of the Hill Tracts, Northern Arakan, by Captain Grover, will be placed in charge.

UNDER an order from the Government of India calling for the reduction of the Judge Advocate General's Department, Madras, the appointment of the Deputy Judge Advocate, Nagpore Force, the duties of which had been Deputy Hyderabad Subsidia abolished, but it will be combined and called No. 3 Circle.

IN consideration of the arduous nature of the duties in which Dr. Ratton has for the past few years been engaged, in connection with the analysis and improvement of Government Salt, the Madras Government upon the representation of the Board of Revenue, have addressed the Government of India to double the allowance at present received by that gentleman for this special work.

As an instance of the vicissitudes of fortune, we may point to Mr. C. W. Blunt, lately an Inspector of H. M.'s Customs, Rangoon, who may possibly inherit a Baronetcy and a large estate. His name appears in Debrett's peerage for the year 1876, as heir presumptive of Sir C. W. Blunt of Heathfield Park, Hawkhurst, Surrey. In Dodd's peerage for 1873, and in Lloyd's for 1872, the name of Mr. Blunt's cousin Captain Richard John Blunt, 25th Madras Native Infantry, appears as heir presumptive; that gentleman has since died without issue. The present Baronet, Sir C. W. Blunt, is also past 60 years of age, and has no issue. In the event of his decease the title and estates will devolve upon Mr. C. W. Blunt at present in Rangon, who purposes returning to England shortly. It is therefore not improbable that Mr. Blunt, who was an officer in the late Bengal Army many years ago, may yet be Sir C. W. Blunt, and like he "fine old English gentleman," own a great state.

A SHORT time ago an effort was made in the Kolar district, in Mysore, by Mr. Lavelle, for the purpose of obtaining information of the existence or otherwise of gold there. The search was by no means unsuccessful. In fact the quartz obtained by the experimentalists showed that a rich mine was in store, and it was the intention of those who began the search to start a company to work the mines. To satisfy themselves of the existence of gold in Kolar, Mr. Linden, late of the International Ice Company, was sent to report upon the capabilities of the gold field, and his report was so assuring that it has been resolved to lay out large capital upon the enterprise. Mr. Lavelle holds authority from the Mysore Government to search for gold over a tract of country ten miles in extent, but the firm that has resolved to enter into the business will only confine operations to a portion of this extensive field, and it is hoped that the enterprise—bold and venturesome as it is—will prove successful. Few people, it is said, can have any idea of the mine of wealth to be found in the gold fields of Kolar. They are said to be the richest in the country, if not in the world, surpassing even the gold mines of Ballarat in Australia.

THE *Pester Lloyd*, referring to the alleged acquisition by England of the harbour of Mohammerah, at the mouth of the Tigris and Euphrates, says that this is probably the first step towards the construction of the Euphrates Valley Railway, and the continuation of the policy which led to the purchase of the Suez Canal shares. "England has now one foot in the stirrup of Suez, and the other at Mohammerah. . . . Russia will have to lower her flag; she has neither the material power nor the spirit to beat England out of the field. . . . Was it to be expected that while Russia was advancing towards India, the statesmen of the richest and most cultivated nation in the world should look on with folded arms? . . . The truth is that England is now as strong, and her policy is as great as ever—as in the time of William III. or of Wellington. She does not make any show of military strength, but she will get that when she wants it. A country which has so much money and so many resources, whose people are inspired with so grand a patriotism, and whose Government acts with such a masterly policy, does not meet with the difficulties of continental nations in raising an army. Let the English people only be convinced that their army requires developing—as seems to be the case since the Duke of Cambridge's last speech—and the thing is as good as done."

THE following bit of scandal is from the Simla paper:—"As it is possible that some misapprehension may arise as to the identity of the couple, said to be 'well known at Simla,' who were requested to withdraw from the ball at Lahore given in honour of the Prince of Wales, it is only just and fair to Simla to say that the male individual was Major S. B. Goad of well-known notoriety. He had, it is said, procured a ticket of admission for himself and daughter, and then brought with him a lady, whom he declared to be his *adopted* daughter but who was not been hitherto recognised in society as in that position. Major Goad and the lady were politely invited by the Stewards to withdraw, but he chose to bluster and make a scene, and it was threatened to remove him by force. He and the lady then withdrew. It was altogether a painful and unpleasant business, but nothing could have exceeded the gentlemanly tact and temper of the Stewards, especially of Mr. Probyn, who tried in every way to prevent the exhibition of a public scandal; but Major Goad seemed determined that his insult to His Royal Highness and society should attract as much attention as possible. Pity may be accorded to the lady who allowed herself to be placed in so unfortunate a position, but merited contempt and indignation have been justly felt towards her partner. Major Goad is a well-known character at Simla and has for a long time done here much as he liked, either for the reason which it is said he himself believes, that every body is afraid of him, or perhaps for the more likely one, which induces a gentleman always to give the wall to a sweep. He is, we believe, still a member of the Simla Municipality, but if the other members have any regard for the office or their own dignity, they should see that Major Goad's name is at once removed from the list. No man, whatever be his rank or wealth, should be allowed to outrage decency and defy public opinion as this man has for years been doing."

THE *Sind News* publishes the following particulars of the murder of Noordeen Mengul by the Khan of Khelat:—"A highly respectable native of Lus Beyla, who has just arrived from that quater, has furnished us with a few particulars regarding the death of Noordeen Mengul, who, as we reported lately, was killed the other day at Khelat. It would appear that the Khan had a design on Noordeen's life for some time, and frequently requested Attah Mahomed, the Sirdar, who was reported to have been mortally wounded, and who is since said to have died of his wounds, to entrap him. This Attah Mahomed steadfastly refused to do, and he asked the Khan how he could think of such a thing after having taken a solemn oath on the Koran not to hurt a hair of Noordeen's head. Seeing that there was no probability of accomplishing his object through a direct request, the Khan tried, and successfully, another dodge. After a time he represented to Attah Mahomed the necessity for circumventing the British, who, the Khan said, had encroached on Khelat territory, and that a man of the calibre of Noordeen could alone do what was required to be done to prevent all such encroachments. Put off his guard, as Attah Mahomed was, he was soon induced to yield to the request of the Khan to bring Noordeen to the latter; Noordeen was unfortunately for himself, persuaded to accompany Attah Mahomed. While seated on the ground floor of the Khan's palace, as it is called, Noordeen was fired at through the windows by the Khan's troops, and he was mortally wounded; a *ruse* took place in consequence, in which Attah Mahomed was wounded; he has, we now learn, died of his wound. An act of treachery like the one we have just chronicled is characteristic of the Khan, who, as we have maintained, for ever so long, is a monster in human shape, and as despicable a specimen of humanity as could possibly be met with. The murder of Noordeen Mengul has caused the utmost consternation throughout Beloochistan, and vengeance dire is breathed against the Khan, the author of it. The Sirdars, to a man, have vowed revenge, and the position of the Khan is therefore exceedingly critical. While on this subject we may mention that the authority to interfere in Khelat affairs has been taken away from the Sind Government and transferred to that of the Punjaub. Considering that the present Commissioner in Sind has really been the cause of the anarchy that now reigns rampant in Beloochistan, his imbecile policy towards that country having first been denounced by us some four or five years ago, we cannot say that we regret the change that has thus been effected.

THE Calcutta *Statesmen*:—"If anything could awaken Sir Richard Temple to the consciousness that his conduct towards the people throughout these late municipal proceedings, has deeply offended many of the best men of the city, it would be the resignations that are being tendered to him by the members of the Bench. Englishmen value sincerity in their public men before all other qualities, and the silent rebuke these resignations convey is more eloquent than words. He is 'pleased to accept' Mr. J. B. Knight's resignation, but he dares say nothing about it and he hopes it will escape public notice. Why is it that the man, perhaps, most generally trusted by all classes in the city, a man of extreme moderation of views, and who has devoted years [illegible] denying labour to municipal affairs, should [illegible] resignation of Her Majesty's Peace. He could [illegible] pbell and his pre- but he can no d Temple. It is acted lie. While r. And so the Mr. Knight's resignation is perforce silent as to his long and valuable services upon the Bench, because Sir Richard knows well what it means; and like Macbeth's *Amen* any reference to Mr. Knight's services would stick in his throat. Why is it, we say, that at the very moment when Sir Richard professes to be giving the city self-government, every independent Justice on the Bench is dubitating whether he should not follow the example of Mr. Knight and Dr. Waller, and decline to serve under Sir Richard any longer. For let there be no mistake. It is indignation at the dishonesty of Sir Richard Temple's course, that is inducing these resignations. You cannot get a simple, straightforward utterance from him, approach him how you may. He tells the people one thing, and the Justices another, and the Council another still, and has a fourth, fifth, and hundredth plausibility with which to impose upon himself. We do very earnestly trust that no man of character, either European or Native, will consent to be nominated for election, under the patent imposture of the Bill now going through the Council. We expect Kristodas Pal to set the example to the native community. He has said truly in Council, that no man of self-respect will be found to serve under the Bill, and we trust he will use his great influence to make his countrymen share this conviction. Sir Richard is counting upon the weakness of native gentlemen, and his own power to nominate a large number of officials to the Corporation, to make the imposture succeed. We are not ourselves admirers of the elective system, but so much has the system of nomination been abused that it should now be honestly tried, while Sir Richard is bent on giving it a *dis*honest trial; and we trust the effort will break down."

ARRIVAL OF THE TROOP-SHIP EUPHRATES.

H. M's. TROOPSHIP EUPHRATES, 4,173 tons, and 700 H.P Captain W. H. Cumming, arrived in harbour on the 6th instant at midnight from Portsmouth (January 5th), calling at Malta, Port Said and Suez, via the Suez Canal, with 72 officers, 14 ladies, and 19 children; 928 men, 96 women and 145 children. During the voyage there was one birth, and she experienced very cold weather throughout the voyage. The following is the list of officers:—

Lieut-Col R P Campbell, 14th Hussars	Lieut W E Phillips, 10th Hussars
Surg-Maj A P M Corbett, A M D	Lieut and Mrs E B McInniss, 9th Lancers
Maj W [illegible], 14th Hussars	Lieut E E Shearburn, 9th Lancers
Sub-Maj and Mrs C B Mathew and two children, A M D	Lieut S S H Maxwell, 14th Hussars
Maj and Mrs H J F Shea, 11th R A	Lieut C F Lindsell, 14th Hussars
Surg T S Barrow, 14th Hussars	Qr-Mr and Mrs Merrill, 14th Hussars.
Surg and Mrs W F Stevenson and child, A M D	Lieut R Wynard, R H A
Capt J H Knox, 14th Hussars	Surg J C Dorman, A M D
Capt C E Terrot, 63rd Regt	Surg E W Kelsall, A M D
Pay-Mr and Mrs E H Dawd and child, 14th Hussars	Lieut G C Richards, 14th Hussars
Capt and Mrs H W L Paddon, 2-7th Regt	Sub-Lieut and Mrs Carroll, A E D
Capt T G Guthell, 13th Hussars	Sub-Lieut W H Born, 14th Hussars
Pay-Mr and two Misses Murphy, 14th Hussars	Sub-Lieut G F M Palmer, 14th Hussars
Capt and Mrs W B McTegart, 14th Hussars	Sub-Lieut C L Stuart, 1-17th Regt
Capt J Dennis, 14th Hussars	Sub-Lieut [illegible] C King, 14th Hussars
Capt H L E Malone, 14th Hussars	Sub-Lieut C C C T French, 1-8th Regt
Capt and Mrs W Phibbs and child, 54th Regt	Sub-Lieut G H C Hamilton' 14th Hussars
Capt [illegible] R A Collis, 1-6th Regt	Sub-Lieut G F A Gavin, 15th Hussars
Capt J [illegible] tish, 14th Hussars.	Sub-Lieut A E Studd, 15th Hussars
Vet Surg [illegible] Mrs F F Marshall and child, 14th Hussars	Sub-Lieut W S Burnell, 1-2nd Regt
Lieut Taylor, R [illegible] Riding-Mr J Harris, 14th Hussars	Sub-Lieut R R Fate, 1-3rd Regt
Lieut and Mrs F T Maxwell and child, R E	Sub-Lieut E M Eyre, 1-6th Regt
Lieut H F Grant, 14th Hussars	Sub-Lieut St G H J R [illegible]hardson, 1-8th Regt
Lieut G D Stovell, 1-11th Regt	Sub-Lieut [illegible] 1-14th Regt
Lieut A J D W Cortlandt, 3rd Hussars.	Sub-Lieut L L Hutchins, 1-21st Regt.
Lieut [illegible] Garth, 14th Hussars	Sub-Lieut J J Kentish, 39th Regt
Lieut and Adjt Hon H G Brough, 14th Hussars	Sub-Lieut A A Barrett, 44th Regt
Lieut and Mrs R G Doyne, 1-6th Foot	Sub-Lieut J C Swan, 45th Regt.
Lieut J J S Chisholme, 9th Lancers	Sub-Lieut F A Harris, 54th Regt
Lieut W H Sicker, 14th Hussars	Sub-Lieut E C W Haunan, 46-6 Regt
Lieut B Owen, 14th Hussars	Sub-Lieut F J Brown, 56th Regt
Lieut A J Ruffles, 14th Hussars	Sub-Lieut S C Fowler, 62nd Regt
Lieut C D V Tuthill, 14th Hussars	Sub-Lieut G E L Clarke, 62nd Regt
Lieut W D McCall, 14th Hussars	Sub-Lieut A G B Stubbs, 83rd Regt
	Sub-Lieut C W Ford, 65th Regt
	Sub-Lieut C W Harris, 73rd Regt
	Lieut R F D Dawson, R A

THE PRINCE OF WALES IN THE MAHARAJA SCINDIA'S TERRITORIES.

(FROM OUR SPECIAL CORRESPONDENT WITH THE PRINCE.)

GWALIOR, FEB. 2.

ON Monday (31st January), the Prince, full of the seeing of sights in the city of Akbar, quitted Agra for the capital of Scindia's dominions; but, as the sequel will show, he was not fated either there or while going there to escape from the monotony of splendid *tamashas* which has charactised his visit to India. At present there is no railway to Gwalior, although there will be one completed in a few years in connection with the system of railway communication which ramifies Central India; and, therefore, the Prince had to be driven along the somewhat famous highway which extends between Gwalior and Agra, a distance of 72 miles. The journey is not altogether uninteresting, as there are some pretty scenes and strangely torn ground to be seen on the way. After leaving Agra (which the majority of the "specials" did on Sunday morning in order to see the reception of the Prince in Gwalior), our party settled down to enjoy all the pleasures that can be extracted from a dâk gharry. I wonder why the proprietors of these useful machines do not endeavour to make them a little more comfortable. At present they are large, dirty-looking and uncomfortable boxes, mounted on coarse heavy wheels. They possess no beauty. Their sliding doors are a nuisance generally—when pulled together, after they have made several desperate attempts to stick in the grooves, they make the gharry dark and too hot, and when open they afford a passage to the interior for the lumps of mud which spin off the wheels. The seats are hard—(O so hard!) and the sides are also hard, stiff, angular, and apt to fall down with a sudden bang upon your elbow when the rough motion of the vehicle has shaken out the supports; in short, altogether admirably adapted for companionship to the uncompromising seats, although sternly obnoxious to the comfort of the unhappy traveller whom fate compels to exist for a time in their vicinity. The small wooden windows which push up on each side of you; the grated window behind; the small, square well in which you place your feet; the dirty-grey or blue appearance of the exterior: the miserable-looking appearance of the rats of ponies that occupy the rough hewn shafts; the native driver with his melancholy horn and ugly whip, which is simply a heavy thong tied to the end of a little stump of wood—all tend to make a dâk gharry one of the most uncomfortable vehicles, actually and in appearance, which the ingenuity of residents in the dark ages of Anglo-Indian history have handed down to the dutifully-imitative hotel-keepers of the present day. However, the discomforts of the dâk gharries bring their own revenge. Had these conveyances been more comfortable, or possessed some of the romance which lingers like a halo round the reminiscences of the old stage coach days of England, the probability is that the construction of railroads in almost every part of India would be less advanced than it is at the present moment. To return to our journey. When we were clear of the outskirts of Agra, which extend about two-and-a half miles in the direction of Gwalior, we noticed a number of camps belonging to native chiefs, and also that some of the camps, with their walls of coloured canvas, were an imitation on a small scale of the Prince's camp. There were plenty of armed men, camels and elephants moving about among the tents; and on the road we met many a cold-looking native plodding along leading an Indian file of camels, and many a woman or boy driving gangs of pack-asses to the accompaniment of sticks and yells. At Kaikooba, about six miles from Agra, we observed what was either a large caravanserai, or a camel fair. There were probably three or four hundred camels together, either standing up, lying down, or bending their heads over their long legs to catch the scanty bundles of grass which their drivers were throwing down before them. Some of the matron camels had babies by their sides—funny little animals, whose legs seemed almost too shaky to be able to carry their humps. The babies poked their heads everywhere about their mothers in search of milk, while the old ladies whisked their tails and held their nozes high in the air as if they were looking down contemptuously upon all other camels that did not happen to possess babies. At Jyjoo, about eighteen miles from Agra, we observed on the right a high red wall—evidently a garden wall; and three domes, tipped with spires of marble, appeared above the trees. The place looked like a Mahomedan tomb, but we were told that it was only serai, or travellers' resting place. A village stands near the serai of the usual description of Indian villages, where the most conspicuous character always appears to be the policeman, who seems at the same time to have little to do but to put his heels together and his hands down by his sides when a European traveller happens to be passing, and then to resume an interrupted conversation with the sweetmeat seller who squats on the mud floor of the hut behind him. About thirty miles from Agra, we reached the territory of the Raja of Dholepore. After passing a town of considerable size and appearance, containing not only several Hindoo temples, large gardens, a Fort situated upon a hill, and a Government Post Office and Telegraph office, we reached the entrance to the Raja of Dholepore's ground. A triumphal arch spanned the beginning of the avenue; to the right lay a garden, and to the left an open compound containing a very tall tent and a number of smaller ones. The large tent, the cloth of which was striped black and red, had a small pavilion on the top, reached by a staircase with canvas sides, and it was altogether a handsome structure. It was erected specially for the accommodation of the Prince, who spent about an hour in it altogether while *en route* to Gwalior. The gardens are very pretty. They contain small tanks with gold fishes in them; statues; and several curious pieces of artillery, the most extraordinary of which are a quadruple and a double gun. The former consists of four brass cannon mounted on the same carriage and each pointing in a different direction of the compass; and the other is simply two long brass guns welded together. Neither of these pieces of artillery can be regarded as anything but a curiosity. A residence for the Political Agent is being built in one part of the garden, and it promises to be a handsome structure, while there can be little doubt from the few specimens of upholstery which I noticed in it, that it will be sumptuously furnished. The Raja of Dholepore is at present a minor, and one of the most amusing sights to be witnessed at the present time in his territory is the youth running about the garden with a miniature rifle, which the Prince presented to him, and with which he endeavours to do a great deal of execution among small birds; or working vigorously at the pump handle of the small fire-engine which was another of the Prince's gifts. (By the way, I wonder if the idea of presenting the Rajas of India with fire-engines originated with the Duke of Sutherland, who is a singular enthusiast as an amateur fireman.) Shortly after the highroad leaves the Dholepore mansion it begins to descend towards the Chumbul River, which divides the territories of Scindia and Dholepore. The descent is about a mile long, and is very steep nearly all the way—so steep that the dâk ponies have to be taken out of the gharry and bullocks substituted. The country [illegible] torn into heaps of mud and sand, as if a tremendous flood had at some remote period swept through the earth and left pieces standing only here and there. At the foot of the descent flows the Chumbul, a broad and deep river which is crossed by a bridge of boats. I never saw a more blue or clear Indian river than the Chumbul. So far as purity is concerned, it is worth a hundred of the Ganges. The Nerbudda, where it sulks beneath the dark frowns of the Marble Rocks, is like the Chumbul, but it does not possess such a deep blue colour. When we were passing over the straw covered bridge, and had noticed the sparkling drops that shot up from the blue water against the boats as they lurched for a second with the weight of the dâk gharry, we were strongly tempted to bathe; but the heat of the day was the grand obstacle, and we crossed to the other side, casting many an admiring glance as the lovely current. Looking back from the opposite bank there lay the river; and two hundred yards further off, where it shallowed, and where every pebble at the bottom could be counted, a picturesque group of females were bathing, while upon the steps of an old fortress, which was probably built to oppose the passage across the river of an enemy, or to command the turn which the Chumbul takes to the right after it saunters under the bridge of boats, women, from whose glossy black hair the water was dripping, were adjusting their blue or red sarees in graceful folds about their shoulders. A village lies on the Gwalior bank of the river, and here the bullocks were abandoned and the horses resumed. The country for the next twenty miles possessed but little variety—it was for the most part torn into ravines and hillocks, with here and there a river threading its way among the valleys. It was not until the fortress of Gwalior came in sight that the aspect of the country began to change for the better. The road now began to be lined with trees, and fields of dall or mustard, with bright blue rows of linseed, to take the place of barren sandy wastes. Passing at some distance the southern end of the fortress, the great size of which appeared to be exaggerated by the rays of declining day, we entered Morar, the Gwalior cantonment, where the European population resides, and reached the dâk bungalow shortly after sunset. As we started at eight o'clock from Agra, we had thus had a journey of about ten hours. The dâk bungalow of India is in its way about as comfortable as a dâk gharry. The keeper is generally an old man, infirm of years and of purpose, who fondly lingers over the recollection of the last bottle of beer and box of stale sardines that he sold to an unfortunate traveller three months ago—a bottle and a box which he has since forgotten to renew, so that the fare of the next traveller who falls beneath his shadow must be "spatch-cock" and chowpatties; and the dwelling is lonely and cheerless. On this occasion, when a crowd of special correspondents suddenly descended upon its limited accommodation, the Morar dak bungalow was less comfortable than it might otherwise have been. However, we sent out to the bazaars for beds; and a deputation proceeded to the Parsee shop that they felt certain must be near the cantonments, and made sundry purchases of tinned soups, claret, beer, sausages, and biscuits. When the foragers returned to the bungalow laden with their spoils, they were looked upon with as much interest as though they had been spies from the land of Canaan. Dinner was forthwith cooked; hunger made excellent sauce; "good digestion waited upon appetite;" and when the pipe of peace went round, and the voice that has whilom enchanted the feathery warblers in the gloomy depths of Ashantee forests had stirred emotions of sentiment and pathos by turns, it was agreed in the hearts of the special correspondents that there were much worse places to wait in for the arrival of the Prince than the dak bungalow of Morar. On Monday morning, we received a note from Captain Hope, Aide-de Camp to General Daly, stating that Colonel Hutchinson, the Political Resident, had, on behalf of the Maharaja Scindia, prepared quarters for the special correspondents within the grounds attached to the new Phoolbagh Palace, and thither we proceeded without further delay along a tree-shaded road about three miles long, with grain fields on one side and on the other a part of the native town of Gwalior, hugging the feet of the great fortress that dominates above it. On the way, we had ample opportunities of admiring the Morar cantonments, which are large and clean, and intersected by clean broad roads sheltered from the heat of the sun by neem or peepul trees.

The new Palace lies to the north-west of the fortress on ground which is slightly raised above the Lushkur, or native city of Gwalior. The grounds attached to it are very extensive, and beautifully laid out in the Italian style of landscape gardening. They are entered from the Morar cantonments through a large ornamental arch, from which a large road shaded by trees leads directly to the Palace gates. Smaller roads branch off to the right and left, and lead through park-like meadows to large roads which run close to the outer walls, which enclose an expansive square. Pretty little white houses are placed here and there in the centre of groves or flower-beds. Towards the centre of the grounds, there are pretty ornamental pieces of water studded with islands and summer-houses, and at certain portions of the embankments the water is permitted to fall over into lakes on a lower level, forming pretty cascades. On the embankments, marble statues of nude figures stand up among the shrubs and trees. Beneath some spreading banyan trees, there are little marble platforms with the backs beautifully fretted, and [illegible] marble couches on these the luxurious [illegible] can obtain pleasant views of the fall [illegible] waters and the surrounding wealth of [illegible] and flowers. On one splendid old tree, I noticed a staircase erected round the trunk and carried along branches to the top, amid the dense foliage of which was a platform with rude easy-chairs which on a summer's evening would be dear alike to smokers or to sentimental wooers. Some of the flower-beds were worked into flowing designs, and the spectator is puzzled which to admire most in the grounds—the smooth-cut lawns, the shining lakes, the sparkling cascades, the romantic "crows'-nest," the marble pavilions, the groves of orange-trees bending to the earth with their golden burdens, or the charming flowerbeds. I am not sure that to an Englishman the flower-beds would not prove the most interesting, for these are not filled with the gaudy produce of Indian soil, but with good old English garden favourites. There are borders of bright marigold or fragrant mignonette; banks of pansies, all arranged in splendid velvety colours; clumps of larkspur; masses of poor Burns' favourite "wee modest, crimson tapped flower," the daisy; and excellent varieties of roses. Such a collection of flowers well known in the old country, I have seen nowhere else in India; and for every true born Briton who is privileged to enter the Phoolbagh gardens, Scindia has prepared a pleasant surprise. The Palace is enclosed within a tall handsome brown iron railing, the spears on which are tipped with gold; and the Palace itself is a large and handsome structure of snowy whiteness. It is built in the form of a square, with a garden in the centre, in the middle of which again mythologic figures spout water all day long into a marble fountain. I hope to be able to give you in a few days some fuller particulars of this beautiful Palace, and in the meantime you must remain contented with my untechnical account of Scindia's splendid residence. The principal rooms of the Palace are on the northern side of the square. In one corner the rooms designed for the harem may be distinguished by their blank windows. Entering a somewhat low archway, the visitor finds himself with, on the right, the suit of apartments which were reserved for the Prince, and on the left the grand drawing room and dining room of the Palace. Need it be said that the Prince's apartments were furnished sumptuously? Or must I tell you that the walls of his drawing room were papered with maroon and gold paper of the very finest material, that the central table was made of marble, that large pier-glasses with heavy gold frames hung upon the walls, that the pier-tables seemed to be made of solid gold so richly were they gilded, or that it contained numerous costly knick-knacks? Is it necessary that I should tell you that the bed- as seen by the variegated light [illegible] the red and green diamond [illegible] strangely beautiful; that the [illegible] were marble, and the bas- boxes, and drinking jugs [illegible] gold? Will it please the British public very much if I tell them that the bath-room was a spacious apartment, and that on a large marble platform upon one side there stood a massive silver bath, the construction and material of which cost an enormous sum? When I entered the Prince's dressing room, I found there a sturdy specimen of the British traveller abroad. He touched and inspected everything with the air of a man determined to discover some mysterious fungus in it, and he thought he acquired immortal honour by using the combs and hair-brushes which had been laid on the pier-table for the Prince's use. I wonder that he did not wash his face in the golden basin and lave himself in the silver bath. If he derived much joy from the temporary tickling of a brush, what rapturous delight must he not have received from the consciousness of playing in the royal bath the part enacted by Sabrina in the cool translucent wave! Truly, your travelled Briton is fearfully and wonderfully made. The corridor leading to the great drawing-room of the Palace contains large mirrors and heavy rose-coloured chandeliers, staircases branching off to the right and left, the railings of which are spiral crystals, and the steps of marble with a thin strip of exceedingly rich carpet in the centre. Crystal pendants hang from the platform at the head of the staircase, and the floor of the corridor is like a large chess board with its paving of squares of black and white marble. The walls are papered with maroon and gold, and silk banners with inscriptions in honour of the Prince hang upon them. One banner bore emblazoned upon it in letters of gold, "Gwalior—Ei Bendith ar ei Ben;" another, "God bless our Prince—the loyal welcome of Gwalior;" another, the well-known Irish welcome, "Cead Mille Failte;" and yet another, "Welcome to the Son of our Good and Gracious Queen." The drawing-room cannot be described in any way which would do it justice. It is probably the handsomest room of the kind in India. It is about eighty feet long by 50 broad. The walls are white and gold, the furniture is gold and red velvet; the carpet, which is worked in a chaste and classical design, was made in England, cost over £500, and is as soft as velvet to the tread; but the greatest feature of all in this splendid room are the chandeliers, of which there are three hanging from the roof. Two of them are of colossal proportions, each containing no fewer than 250 lights; and the central one, although containing only 100 lights, is as splendid in its way as its larger companions. The two large chandeliers were bought by Scindia during his recent visit to Calcutta to meet the Prince, and each one cost him £2,500. Attached to the drawing-room is a marble verandah and a dancing-hall. The whole of the furnishing of the Palace, together with the designing of it and the surrounding gardens, was carried out under the direction of Major Michael Filoze; and the furnishing and building of the Phoolbagh is said to have cost not more than £160,000. I need not attempt to describe the rooms which were allotted to the Prince's suite. Each was sumptuously upholstered, and even the Prince's valets had apartments which an ordinary human being in an ordinary way of life might envy. Altogether, such a residence was well worthy of the son of Her Majesty. General Sir Henry Daly, Colonel Hutchison, Major Bannerman, Captain Hope, all officers connected with the administration of Central Indian affairs, were accommodated, together with several members of the Prince's suite for whom there was no room in the Palace, in handsome tents in the outer courtyard.

Early in the afternoon, Scindia drove to the old Residency, a place about seven miles on the way to Agra. Meantime the inhabitants of his capital were showing much anxiety to see the great English Prince. The hum of a huge crowd was ever present in the busy thoroughfares; and in one, called the new bazaar, about an hour before the Prince arrived, it would have been difficult to match the crowd, either in numbers or picturesque variety of dress, in any other Indian city except Bombay. The street which leads from the Phoolbagh to the city is exceedingly interesting. I crossed over to it from the Palace on an elephant, passing on the way Scindia's artillery barracks which are singularly well-kept, and a number of small slate-covered huts, within which the inmates, all unmindful of the coming events, were unconcernedly grinding their linseed. The new bazaar is broad and well built. The houses on each side are white-washed, flat-roofed, and have stone verandahs, which on this occasion were filled with men and women. The old Palace, or Dowlut Rao Scindia's Barra, which, as I have said, is situated at the end of this street, is a vast and by no means ungraceful pure white structure, in which Scindia still prefers to reside. On the stone steps in front of the large doorway several hundred men were seated dressed in bright red and blue uniforms, some carrying silver staves and others spears with pennants attached to them. The new bazaar extends a considerable distance at right angles to the Old Barra, and the houses on each side are distinguished by the irregularity, and at the same time the cleanliness of the houses, which in some places resemble the more picturesque parts of the old Canongate of Edinburgh white-washed. Every verandah, every curious stone-latticed window, every doorway, and every roof was filled with people, some of the women looking boldly at the stranger, and others modestly drawing their red, white, or blue mantles half over their faces. The shops are situated on plinths about two feet above the roadway, and on this platform crowds of natives squatted and gossipped about the coming of the Shahzada. The centre of the roadway is paved with large slabs of stone, and on each side of this pathway stood horses, burdened with gold cloths, and giving the natives who were holding them, some difficulty with their starting and prancing; elephants, their foreheads and trunks fantastically painted, and their backs bearing gold and silver howdahs, and well dressed Mahratta mahouts upon their necks; men holding up grotesque masks; Mahratta horsemen, with white dresses and red turbans; and foot soldiers with spears. The new bazaar looked altogether splendid, and spoke much for the vigour with which Scindia superintends the affairs, municipal and military, of his capital. I wandered through all the principal thoroughfares in Gwalior, the elephant with wonderful sagacity picking his way through lanes which were little more than broad enough to hold him; and everywhere the characteristic features of the bazaar were repeated—beautiful women leaning over the stone balustrades at the windows of their houses, men in the roads, and colour and bustle everywhere. The Prince was expected to enter the city through the Janungunge archway, which opens upon the Janungunge Road, a large broad thoroughfare, immediately beyond the Junungunge Bridge; and thither I proceeded. The view from the bridge, which spans a picturesque ravine, was very pretty—on the left, a hill with trees and a pretty white building; on the right, more trees, but lowering above them all, the Gibraltar of Gwalior, the Fortress. Crowds of people, mostly Mahrattas, occupied the ridge to the left, and sitting upon a ledge sat two tall Affghans, whose features, long black matted hair, and dirty white garments contrasted with the appearance of the crowd around. The road from this point was skirted with trees, although the ridge still extended on the left and revealed through the foliage a graveyard which probably was not altogether unconnected with the deeds performed in Gwalior in 1857. Under the trees, stood Maharatta horsemen, the flower of Scindia's army, each man with a bearer by his side holding a yellow silk umbrella over his master's head, to which none but Scindia's noblemen are entitled. A gay appearance did these fine-looking fellows present. Some wore scarlet silk guilted tunics, and others black, green, white, or purple; and the cuffs of each picturesque qoublet were turned up with silk of a colour picturesquely at variance with the colour of the doublet itself. The horses of these troopers, (each of whom keeps his own horse and receives pay averaging from Rs. 2 to Rs. 5 a day) were almost as gay as their masters. Their saddle cloths were of all the colours of the rainbow, and many of them wore upon their curved sleek necks chains of shells, silver, and even gold. The Prince, who had left Agra early in the morning and lunched at Dholepore on the way, arrived at the Agra end of the Junungunge Road, a little beyond the Mama Saheb gardens, about five o'clock. The procession, which moved at a very rapid pace, was very imposing as regards martial display. First rode ten Hussars of the 10th Hussars; then, at a short interval, half-a-dozen more Hussars; then a squadron of Hussars; then the Prince in a carriage-and-four, with Scindia on his left, and the Duke of Sutherland and General Daly in the front seat. The Royal carriage was followed closely by another squadron of Hussars, after whom came the carriages containing the suite, followed by a number of Scindia's cavalry. The Prince must have been delighted with the splendid appearance presented by the Maharaja's yellow-umbrella Mahratta noblemen; and even still more must he have wondered at the picturesque appearance of the bazaars beyond the bridge and the crowds who gazed at him in silence. The Prince was driven to the old Palace, where he mounted an elephant, which had a frontlet of gold upon its forehead, long silver chains hanging from its ear, a cloth of green velvet heavily embroidered with gold upon its body, and gold plates and chains stretching [illegible] the howdah to the tail. The [illegible]s solid gold. The Maharaja, [illegible] silk coat, on which, [illegible]nd diamonds, there [illegible] on the Prince's [illegible] narrow gangway [illegible] waved bunches of lambs' wool over the regal party. The Prince's elephant was preceded by a number of Mahratta spearmen; then followed prancing led horses, laden with precious cloths; and then a number of soldiers with spears and shields. The Prince's elephant was followed by upwards of thirty more elephants carrying the Prince's suite and the principal officers in Central India. Each elephant was splendidly decorated. The Hussars followed the elephant procession, and then followed Mahratta cavalry and a concourse of natives of all kinds. The line of route taken by this gorgeous procession was through the new bazaar, which was densely packed with human beings. At one part of the road, near the old Palace, the crowd was so dense that scarcely anything of the people could be seen except the pavement formed

GOOZERAT RELIEF FUND OF 1868.

The Committee of the Goozerat Relief Fund, (raised in 1868) beg to publish for general information the subjoined statement regarding the disposal of the balance of the funds under powers entrusted to them by a resolution passed at the meeting of subscribers held on 30th January 1869 at the office of the Bombay Chamber of Commerce :—

RECEIPTS.

Balance of funds per accounts submitted to the meeting of subscribers on 20th January 1869 ..... Rs.	20,427	7 0
Further subscriptions received..... „	1,687	0 0
Premium on Government Paper and Interest, &c. realised..... „	1,389	0 0
Total...Rs.	23,503	7 0

PAYMENTS.

1869. Jan. 20. Remittance to A A Borrodaile, Esq. Collector of Ahmedabad through H. M.'s Treasury ..... Rs.	2,500	0 0
Aug. 2. Amounts paid for the relief of the sufferers from famine in Marwad, viz :—		
To Swlall Motilall, for Marwad ..... Rs.	1,000	
„ Gallisndass Jottadass, for Visnuggur..... „	1,000	
„ Dalsookey Sejjaun, for Radhunpore ..... „	1,000	
„ Purbhoodass Gcddass, for Mysana ..... „	500	3,500 0 0
„ 27. Remittance to Col. Keatings, Political Agent in Marwad		2,000 0 0
Oct. 4. Remittance to Mrs. Sarah Dixon for the relief of Marwadi children at Deesa		300 0 0
„ 5. Expenses incurred in Bombay through Ramjee Madowjee, Esq. for feeding, &c. Marwadi and other emigrants from the distressed districts		4,285 6 0
„ 18. Expenses incurred at Mandal in Vidhiaramgum through Veerchund Deepchund, Esq. for feeding, &c. Marwadi emigrants from the distressed districts.....		400 0 0
1871. Oct. 19. Amount remitted through the Chief Secretary to the Government of Bombay to Col. Pelly, for the relief of sufferers from famine in Persia		1,500 0 0
1873. Sept. 27. Amount remitted to Motabhoy Cursetjee and others for the relief of sufferers by floods at Bilimora.		1,000 0 0
Sept. 30. Ditto ditto to Hormusjee Burjorjee Captain ditto ditto at Sandaveo		500 0 0
Sept. 30. Amount remitted in aid of the Khandesh Relief Fund, namely, Rs. 500 for Nassick, and Rs. 2,000 for Dhoolia and Malligaum through Messrs. Vithal Narayen and Shunker Pandorang		2,530 0 0
1874. Feb. 14. Value of Government 4½ per cent. Loan paper for Rs. 2,000 handed to James Taylor, Esq., Sheriff of Bombay, in aid of the Bengal Relief Fund.....		2,237 0 0
1875. Sept. 23. Amount paid to Messrs. Veerchund Deepchund and Dholidass Hukumchund in aid of the Ahmedabad Poor Relief Fund.....		250 0 0
Sundry charges		26 12 6
		20,999 2 6
Balance in hand—		
4½ per cent. Loan paper for Rs. 3,000 valued at supree...	2,050 0 0	
Cash with Ramjee Madhowjee, Esq.....	454 4 6	
	2,504 4 6	
Total Rs...	23,503 7 0	

(Signed) VURJEEVANDASS MADHOWDASS,
„ NUSSERWANJEE JEHANGEERJEE WADIA,
„ RAMJEE MADOWJEE,
„ MORARJEE GOCULDASS.

Bombay, 28th January 1876.

INDIAN EXTRACTS.

A BIT OF HISTORY,

(*Calcutta Statesman.*)

The third volume of the *Sepoy War* contains a curious illustration of the uncertainty of history in dealing with precise dates, even when it is written almost contemporaneously with the events. Thus Sir John Kaye has found it impossible to ascertain the precise day on which the news of the outbreak at Meerut reached Agra. He says :— "Intelligence of the great events at Meerut and Delhi reached Agra, on the 12th and 13th of May. The official report of Mr. Phillippe, Magistrate of Agra, says 'on the 14th the news of the massacre at Delhi reached Agra.' Mr. Raikes, who quotes from a journal kept at the time, says the 13th. Mr. Reade also gives the 13th as the date. I am inclined, therefore, to accept the latter statement.'

We happen to be able to place the matter beyond reasonable doubt. The historian has not distinguished between the events at Meerut and at Delhi. The news of the outbreak at Meerut reached Agra by telegram on the night of the massacre. Some of our readers will possibly remember that the troops rose on Sunday evening (10th May) while the Station were at Church; and that, in spite of the presence of a powerful European force, were allowed to go on with their bloody work until near midnight, when they marched unmolested out of the station, taking the road to Delhi where they hutchered every European on the Monday and set up the Delhi Prince as Mogul. Now, that the news of the Meerut rising was flashed by telegraph to Agra on the Sunday night, we know positively. For we were editing the *Bombay Times* in those days, and the first thing presented to us on entering office at 9 o'clock the next morning, was a telegram from our correspondent at Agra running thus :—

"The 3rd Cavalry risen at Meerut, burnt down their lines, and murdered all Europeans ; mutineers marching on Delhi."

We have the telegram somewhere, but cannot at the moment put our hands upon it. The message was published to us from Agra by our correspondent during the night, and was, we imagine, the last message from Meerut that reached Agra ; the telegraph was not long during the same night. Our correspondent, Mr. Collet, a Eurasian gentleman, who held some official appointment in Agra, but we forget exactly what. The news, therefore, of the outbreak, and its exact nature, must have reached Agra about the time the mutineers were abandoning the station for their march on Delhi ; the terrible tragedy which on the Monday, very probably did not reach Agra until the 12th or 13th.

When we received the telegram we took it to the office of the Chief Secretary to the Bombay Government, and declared that it was impossible it could be true, for it was full of European troops ; but it was replied that there was something wrong, for nothing above Agra being [illegible] true, we issued [illegible] Extraordinary Summary [illegible] (Monday, [illegible] from, [illegible] and [illegible] doing his best to promote discipline and to strengthen the Army. He would introduce other more sweeping innovations had he not to contend [illegible] the jealousy and suspicion of the Central Government. Li's last scheme, the centralization of the [illegible] viewed unfavourably by the Mandarins, [illegible] the power of the Army, he might at [illegible] of the Empire is mainly composed of [illegible]. How far this army may be considered [illegible] and what may be its numerical [illegible] which cannot be answered with [illegible]. It suits the purposes of the [illegible] have it broken up into a multitude [illegible] distributed over the Empire, each [illegible] from 20,000 to 100,000 men [illegible] the standing Chinese Army [illegible] than what is required to act as [illegible] resident in guard stations and [illegible] departments of the Empire. The [illegible] active service can always be assembled [illegible] the quarters of the Army and [illegible] in Pekin, which [illegible] actual [illegible] like the [illegible]

afterwards with stimulating applications, opium may be given to allay pain, and the general health should be supported by arrack or brandy, and strong soups.

These papers have been submitted to Government, with a view to their being placed at the disposal of the Press. They have also been communicated to the Sanitary Commissioner and to all Collectors, who will warn the people of the danger of eating or handling the flesh of diseased animals.

SANEECHA, THE WOLF-BOY.

(*Pioneer.*)

Among the curiosities which the Agra people might have shown to the Prince of Wales, was *Saneecha*, the wolf-boy, now and for the past nine years in the keeping of the Mission at Secundra. *Saneecha* is so named because the native *shikarees* presented him on a Saturday. Judged by his appearance, he is now perhaps seventeen or eighteen years old ; so that when he scurried on all fours about the Mission compound nine years ago, he must have reached the age of eight. It cost a good deal of trouble to teach *Saneecha* how to walk on his legs ; and we are not sure that he has even yet utterly lost his taste for raw flesh, and the knack of gnawing his bone in a quiet corner like a dog. Even to the present day he begins tiffin with a sniff at the food and drink set before him. He sniffs at the wrong end of the cheroot stump with which the Rev. Mr. Erhardt occasionally indulges him, and the smoke of which he endeavours to swallow, with many a sharp cough, rub of the stomach, and chuckle of delight. But *Saneecha* is an older resident at Secundra than even Mr. Erhardt ; and it will, perhaps, more interest the reader to learn the story of the wolf-boy whom the Superintendent took under his protection about three years ago. The story told by the men who brought him was, that while hunting through the jungle, about thirty or forty miles away, they discovered the entrance of a hole which they suspected to be a wolf's den. Soon a she-wolf rushed out which they killed ; and there were about to march off with their spoil when out rushed a little fellow on all fours. The reader may of course, doubt the *shikaree's* story, but not the account for which Mr. Erhardt vouches as an eye-witness, and keeper of the wolf-boy. The behaviour of this second captive was in every respect that of a dog or wolf. Though apparently five or six years old he was unable to stand upright. He ran swiftly on all fours, ate raw flesh, gnawed bones, and lapped water. He even barked very respectably, and his growl and whine were still nearer the mark. Wild-beastlike, he chose the darkest corners to crouch in. Fruit he refused to touch, merely sniffing at it with an air of indifference or disgust. He was improving steadily, when one day, having wandered to the Mission boundary, and caught a glimpse of the green fields, he bounded off towards them at full speed, the whole establishment tearing after him at its hardest. He died at the Secundra Orphanage two years and eight months ago, having lived there only four or five months. Mr. Erhardt says that the boy was finely developed in the head, as well as in the body, and that he show d many signs of good intelligence. Of *Saneecha*, nothing ever could or can be made ; but it would have been extremely interesting to watch the younger wolf-boy's gradual emancipation from brutehood. Professor Max Muller and his brother comparative mythologists—who, as the reader is aware, have resolved the wolf-boy stories of Romulus Remus, Cyrus, and other heroes into sunmyths or philological corruptions—have had much correspondence with the Secundra Mission about *Saneecha* and his late companion. Their explanation is, that the boys were simply stray children from some jungle tribe in the lowest possible state of degradation. To which it may be replied that there are no jungle men in India who go on all fours, lap their drink, gnaw bones, and are ignorant of the uses of roots and berries. How then did the boys learn their dog or wolf tricks ? Neither jungle men nor any other men can have any interest in undertaking the tiresome task of bringing up their children like wolves ; and the *shikarees* gained nothing whatever by taking their captives to the Orphanage.

EUROPEAN AND OTHER EXTRACTS

THE CHINESE ARMY.

TO THE EDITOR OF "THE TIMES."

Sir,—Permit me to supplement your Shanghai Correspondent's remarks on the Chinese Army with the following particulars :—

The present Army of China consists of two great divisions. Under the first are included the Manchu, Mongol, and Chinese Bannermen, distributed in permanent garrisons over the great cities of the empire, while the second is made up of Chinese troops. The Manchu Tartars (the present dynasty), when they conquered China, in 1644, divided their Army into four corps, distinguished as being under white, blue, red, and yellow banners. Four bordered banners of the same colours were subsequently added, and in course of time there were added to these eight similar corps of Mongols and eight of Chinese, who had cast in their lot with the invaders. The chief command of these corps (which exist to the present day, and are of a mixed civil and military organization, all being liable to bear arms, but by no means all being paid as soldiers) is vested in high officers of the three nationalities, the Manchu, on the whole, predominating. The Governors General and Governors have each a small force at their disposal, but they do not command the military or naval forces of the province. Permanent Manchu garrisons under Manchu chiefs are established, as I have said, in the great cities on the coast and along the frontier. The Chinese Army altogether distinct from this force, and is under a separate General officer, below whom is a series of subordinate officers of a number and denomination corresponding to those of our own Army, if we count from Ensign to Major-General. These all-but-nominal officers and nominal troops assigned to them exist, to some extent, only on paper. Were the military and naval services of China as real and effective as the civil service of the country, foreign Governments would have to deal with one of the greatest Powers in the world.

The civil competitive examinations held under Government secure to the poorest students of the land the certainty of promotion by merit to the most lucrative posts in the empire. Under the present dynasty military examinations are periodically held among the troops, but the competitors are men of property, who supply their own weapons and accoutrements, and not the rank and file of the army. Military rank is conferred not for personal bravery and talent, but for prowess in raising heavy weights, wielding enormous swords, and bending bows, as well as for skill in horsemanship and archery Although the lists for military preferment are open to all who are eligible for the Civil Service, few engage in the contests, as the posts obtainable are in every respect inferior to those of the administrative department of Government. Few men of genuine talent, therefore, are to be found among the officers of the Chinese Army, and probably none who have deemed it worth their while to acquire a knowledge of military engineering, fortifications, and all that constitutes the science of modern warfare. It must, however, be said, in justice to the Chinese Government, that they are not altogether ignorant of the defects in their system. Within the last ten years great efforts have been made to introduce a certain measure of reform. Formerly officers of the Navy were chosen from the land forces, not that they knew the bow from the sternpost of a war vessel, but because they were big and blustering men, whose appearance would strike terror into the hearts of an enemy. Schools have been established for the training of naval cadets under the European system, some of whom now hold commissions in the gunboats and corvettes of the modern Chinese Navy. Li-hung-chang has introduced foreign drill and arms, and is doing his best to promote discipline and to strengthen the Army. He would introduce other more sweeping innovations had he not to contend [illegible] the jealousy and suspicion of the Central Government. Li's last scheme, the centralization of the [illegible] viewed unfavourably by the Mandarins, [illegible] the power of the Army, he might at [illegible] of the Empire is mainly composed of [illegible]. How far this army may be considered [illegible] and what may be its numerical [illegible] which cannot be answered with [illegible]. It suits the purposes of the [illegible] have it broken up into a multitude [illegible] distributed over the Empire, each [illegible] from 20,000 to 100,000 men [illegible] the standing Chinese Army [illegible] than what is required to act as [illegible] resident in guard stations and [illegible] departments of the Empire. The [illegible] active service can always be assembled [illegible] the quarters of the Army and [illegible] in Pekin, which [illegible] actual [illegible] like the [illegible]

HIGH COURT OF JUSTICE.—JAN. 12.

SASSOON V. HARRIS.

This was an action by the great Indian firm of Sassoon and Co., on policies of insurance on opium to the amount of £30,000. They carry on business largely in opium, which they collect from the native producers in India and ship to their branch houses at Hongkong, Shanghai, and other places in China for sale, insuring the whole, and afterwards accounting to the other owners of the opium. They ship opium largely in this way from Bombay to Hongkong, where their branch house divide and distribute it to various places in China according to the demands of the markets. In December, 1872, they shipped 423 chests of opium in this way, from Bombay to Hongkong, by the Peninsular and Oriental steamer Delta, and their London branch insured the opium to the amount of £30,000, the total value being £60,000. The bill of lading was, by the P. and O. steamer Delta, for Hongkong, to Sassoon and Co." The policy of insurance was "at and from Bombay to any port or ports in China not north of, but including, Shanghai, with leave to ship and tranship to any ports by the same or other steamer or steamers, as may be required." The Peninsular and Oriental steamers do not go to any port north of Hongkong, except to Shanghai ; and, when the opium reached Hongkong in the Delta, the branch house there divided the opium into two parcels, one of which, 138 chests, was shipped for Shanghai and the other, 285 chests, for Ningpo, and the vessel carrying the latter parcel was lost, with all the opium on board. Sassoons and Co claimed to recover the amount of the insurances on the opium thus lost, but the underwriters resisted their claim on three grounds, one of which was that, as regarded a great portion of the opium—that part which was sent by the native growers to be sold by Sassoons—the house of Sassoons had no insurable interest ; next, that, even if they had, these parcels of opium constituted so many distinct adventures, which should have been separately insured, so that the stamp on a single policy for the aggregate amount was insufficient ; and, lastly, which was the main question, that the voyage insured ended at Hongkong, that the clause as to transhipment only applied as between ports between Bombay and Hongkong, and that the voyage to Ningpo, being in a vessel of different owners, was a different voyage, not within the insurance. At the trial before the Lord Chief Justice at Guildhall, in 1874, these points were reserved, and now were argued.

Sir H. James, Q.C., Mr. Cohen, Q.C., and Mr. J. C. Mathew were for the plaintiffs, Sassoons and Co. ; Mr. Benjamin, Q.C., Mr W. Williams, Q.C., and Mr. Follarton were for the defendants, the underwriters.

The evidence, which consisted either of the documents, and especially of the corr spondence, or of evidence taken under commission at Bombay, was very voluminous, and the reading of it took up half the day. The great points were as to the nature of the transactions between Sassoons and their constituents, the native growers ; and as to the transactions between the Bombay house and the Hongkong house, with reference especially to the question whether the shipment was to be to Hongkong or Shanghai, the contention for the plaintiffs being that the shipment was to Shanghai, and that this was intended from the first ; whereas the underwriters insisted that at the time of the shipment and insurance, the shipment was really to Hongkong, and that there was then a new shipment, a new adventure, and new voyage to Shanghai not covered by the insurance, because not then contemplated or intended. The reading of the evidence by Mr. Cohen and Mr. Follarton being concluded,

Sir H. James proceeded to argue the case for the plaintiffs, Sassoon and Co., contending that they were interested in the whole of the opium, and that it was properly insured, and that the voyage had not ended at Hongkong, but extended to Ningpo, Shanghai, and was covered by the policy. He urged that the terms of the insurance were, in fact, carefully framed with a view to meet and provide for the way in which Sassoons carried on their business. Sir H James was occupied chiefly in arguing the first point—as to the nature of the interest of Sassoons in the different parcels of opium collected from the growers. As to this, it appeared that the risk and beneficial interest were divided. The argument of Sir H. James upon this part of the case was, in substance, that Sassoons had an insurable interest as consignees of the opium with the general management of the adventures, and an interest in the profits. As to this, however,

Mr. Justice Blackburn appeared to think it doubtful whether a consignee in such a case could insure the whole value in his own name, or whether he ought not to insure only his own interest in his own name, and the rest in the names of his constituents, the consigners.

The arguments lasted all day, and were not concluded.

JAN. 31.

The hearing of this case—the Indian opium insurance case,—began yesterday, was continued. Mr. Cohen, Q.C., was occupied all the day in arguing on the same side, his argument also being mainly directed to the same point—the question of insurable interest. The point argued was whether consignees, with power of sale and an interest in the profits, and the power of controlling and directing the adventure, have the whole insurable interest in the goods consigned.

THE STATE OF TRADE.

(*Pall Mall Budget.*)

There seem to be a few signs that at length the depression in trade which began with the close of 1873 is after a duration of more than two years, about to be relieved, in some degree at least. The depression in this country has not been so general or so severe as in Germany, Austria, or the United States, or as regards 1875 in Canada. In France the depression has been far less than in any of the countries above named. In England the difficulty has arisen not from a dangerous failure of the harvests and excessive railway building as in 1847, nor from the collapse of wild financing as in 1866. The dullness of 1874-75 was in its origin more akin to the reaction from high prices which produced the panic of October, 1857. The same observation applies, but with greater emphasis, to the United States. In that country, however, besides the causes which led to the high range of prices before September, 1873, we have to count with the effect of the excessive transfer of capital into railway building during the five or six years which preceded the collapse of the Pacific Railway, and the wholesale failures consequently begun by the fall of Jay Cooke and Co. Railway investment in the United States 1868-73 contributed largely to advancing prices, and especially to dvancing wages, in that country. It also contributed in a marked degree to the same phenomena, in this country, more particularly in the demand for iron and steel rails and other kinds of railway material. But in the United States there was the subtle, powerful and pervading influence of a depreciated paper money and a protectionist tariff.

In Austria the great commercial activity of the years preceding 1873 was the offspring of a multitude of concurrent causes. The final agreement with Hungary, the final l as of Italy, the final establishment of parliamentary government, and the entry of Austrian policy, both political and commercial, upon a more enlightened career, all conduced to promote new enterprises, and the enterprises were of course carried to excess, and no small part of them broke down. In Germany the same causes were at work as in Austria, but with the striking addition of the victories of 1870-1, and the French ransom which came pouring into the country in 1871-2.

With ourselves, undoubtedly, it was the sudden and vast demand for railway materials from Austria, Hungary, Russia, Germany, and the United States, which sprang up in the summer of 1871, that led to the remarkable commercial excitement of that year and of the two following years 1872 and 1873. The demand fell suddenly upon an article—coal—which was pre-eminently an article of prime necessity, and one the supply of which could not largely or hastily be increased. The traffic in coal exercised on prices in 1871-3 the effects which have been so often witnessed in the case of wheat after a marked failure of the harvest. The deficiency may be but relatively small, but the purchaser's fear of being left without an article of prime necessity carries the rise of prices far beyond the real necessities of the occasion The same remarks apply less cogently to iron and all iron-working materials and appliances, and to the wages of all the trades connected with that and kindred industries. Vast and sudden profits and rapidly increased wages in the coal and iron industries stimulated expenditure in all directions, until the cost of producing commodities of nearly all kinds reached a limit in the autumn beyond which the resources of the country could not carry it, and, what is more to the purpose, at which the resources of the country could not maintain it ; and therefore the only corrective was a process of decline. Now in commerce a process of decline means a succession of calamities. It means the failure of most of the sanguine people who have gone beyond their means, then the failure of people who have trusted them, then the limitation of every outlay to the narrowest point until buyers can feel satisfied that prices will not fall lower. Concurrently with these measures of repression and restriction there is decreasing employment and wages, and decreasing activity in all the industries which are mainly kept in motion by the weekly expenditure of the earnings of the wage classes—an expenditure in its aggregate far exceeding any other.

It is this hard and exhausting process of decline which in this and other countries already [illegible] constitutes the real cause of the commercial [illegible] the last two years. In Au[illegible] recovery will be slower than [illegible] States for the simple reason [illegible] are less. In [illegible] protection [illegible] money and [illegible] rapid, perhaps, than elsewhere, but, subject to the qualification that the country must [illegible]

THE PRINCE OF WALES IN INDIA.

(*Times.*)

It has often been observed that but for war we should know very little of either the geography or the history of the world. Geography, as generally taught and learnt, consists of names, spaces, and outlines, all equally void of significance ; and history is little else than a record of wars and calamities sufficiently serious to compete with them for our notice We ought, then, to be grateful indeed when the instruction which we certainly all require is derived from happier occasions. The progress of the Prince of Wales through the most remarkable portions of our Indian Empire is one of the greatest, and so far one of the most fortunate, events that history tells of, and is justly so regarded by those whose special duty it is to keep people of common intelligence up to the progress of human affairs. The youth and the very children of this age hardly know how much they have to be thankful for in the achievements of science and art which bring India before their eyes, its peoples, its manners, and its scenes ; and tells them to-day all that happened yesterday, and what is now going on at the very hour that they read the news. Were Elementary Education conducted on common sense principles, every village teacher would be this day instructing all above mere infancy to trace the route of the Prince, to point out where he is to-day, to describe what climate, what sort of people, and what real or nominal rulers he sees about him, and, if it be permissible, what is their religion. This would associate them with the Empire and with the world, and would make great events part of their lives and landmarks in their recollection. Happily, what schools fail to do the Press supplies to those who are within its wide and still widening circle. India as it is to-day has said just now to occupy the foremost place at least in the English mind. The Prince, like one of the mythical personages we read of, goes through wondrous regions, and is everywhere hailed as the representative of peace, union, justice, and righteousness, and all the blessings they bring with them. The people come to see him as he is, and he sees them as they are. He has gone to see India, and all India does its best to show itself in its truest and brightest light. Behind this show there is an inevitable background. We cannot so soon have forgotten the hideous crimes, the wild anarchy, the terrible sufferings, the heroic efforts, and the splendid triumphs of that time when India trembled in the balance,—and England, too, as we were told by our rivals nearer home. We have not forgotten it, and the Prince of Wales does justice to the constancy of our common regards when he presents himself, first of all, a pilgrim at the shrines hallowed by the blood of the innocent, the noble-hearted, the generous, and the brave. Said he much we all knew of India, that we are now told what is new to many of us. Lucknow, Cawnpore, and even Delhi, are not what they were. In much less than a generation the old has passed away, and it is a new India that meets the Prince's eyes

But, as with painful steps and slow mathematicians measure a basis for the calculation of a world or a universe, so in the brief story of five-and-twenty years we have the link of a long chain. Of that link it must be said that it is, at all events, much too like the rest. We may, if we please, console ourselves with the reflection, which would certainly be justified, that India has not fared worse, or done worse, in our time than in all time before. On the other hand, we think it wiser to recognize a certain formidable unchangeableness. India is unvarying in manners and customs, in dress, in religion, and is she not also immutable in her political destinies? We may strike a course between the hopes and the fears suggested by a review of Indian history. From time immemorial the cities through which the Prince of Wales is making his peaceful progress have been the scenes of calamities beyond English, and even beyond the Indian conception of this day. Not to go further back, which is no easy matter, within the period of eight hundred years—that is, since the establishment of one Norman family on our throne, and the feudal system they brought with them—Hindostan has been invaded, overrun, and desolated some half-dozen times. Adventurer after adventurer, with nothing but the rudest personal claims, has made his way, by force or by fraud, from city to city, securing his ground by destruction and massacre. Their names are great in story, for they were the founders of splendid dynasties ; but they were simply scourges of the earth and enemies of the human race. The number of the population they massacred in rage, or in the baser fear of reprisals, and to strike terror on those who were left, may be exaggerated ; but the command was to slay all, and spare not. All the cities we have named, and many others, have been destroyed several times, and, as a rule, have not been rebuilt on their old sites, but as near as might be. Delhi is said to have travelled seven miles, as proved by seven miles of ruin more or less traceable. Other reasons, indeed, have been assigned, and no doubt have contributed, but of the fact of the successive destructions there is not only historic record, but monumental proof. The conquerors to whom the feeble and submissive Hindoo mind reverts—Mahmud, Genghis Khan, Timour, Baber, Akbar, Aurungzebe, and, but the other day, Nadir Shah, as well as many others like them, but on a smaller scale—went by the old plan : they made a solitude and called it peace. If they could not command the allegiance of the people, or did not care to have it, they proclaimed the lordship of the soil. They destroyed whole populations as the [illegible] way out of a difficulty and the smoothest course to Empire. Such is the history of India, up to a [illegible] so modern as the lifetime of Her Majesty's grandfather, George III.—a date still recent in family traditions.

Such is the retrospect which even more than the brief and exceptional episode of the Mutiny, should present itself as we follow the Prince's steps through these famous cities. Wherever he goes it is to see the successes of a Power which has in truth had India forced upon it, and which holds it on the condition of ruling it solely for the good of the millions thus mysteriously confided to its care. Wherever he goes he sees populations which, it is now ascertained, have doubled or trebled since the overthrow of the Mogul Empire. Wherever he goes he sees a material progress and material improvements beyond even the imaginations of former rulers, and hardly even within the range of their wishes. Wherever he goes he receives the homage of Princes in various degrees of political relation, but all more or less bound to observe the just and wise rules of an Imperial policy, and all more or less owing their positions, not to say their existence, to the British Supremacy. Of course, there are those who ask what right we have in India, and why India should be bound to recognize our Government and our laws. Such questions are always easier to ask than to answer. But the true proof of all human institutions is the working. The Prince of Wales, it may be said, has come to his own, and his own have received him. It is not agreeable to all natures to recognize a superior, and in India those natures are often surrounded by the illusions of hereditary right and legitimate power. Religion, too, and customs stronger than religion, if separable from it, make a bar between the people and him who appeals to their loyalty. But the very fact that there are such obstacles is the proof of our merits and services. The work was hard, and we have done it. It is hard, and we are doing it still, with the fairest prospect of handing down to our successors a nobler, more secure, and happier heritage than we received.

THE CHANNEL PASSAGE.

TO THE EDITOR OF "THE TIMES."

Sir,—All that regards the improvement of the Channel Passage ought to interest Englishmen—insulars and *voyageurs*—who owe so much to the "silver streak" bountiful nature has bestowed upon them by way of frontier—a frontier which had it been created by the hand of man would take rank as the wonder of the world. What we now want is a means of crossing the boundary with ease and comfort. Passports have been abolished and the *douanier* has greatly relaxed his severity, but the pains and penalties of the middle passage continue. Ameliorate them to a *minimum* and the tunnel would be a superfluity. The railway service has been accelerated. On our side, up to the arrival at Folkestone, little is to be desired, but all the misery begins with the boat and getting on board. Unfortunately the carriages do not come upon the quay, and the passengers have to [illegible] carriage of some distance to the port, defiling [illegible] long ish wooden bridge traversing a peri[illegible] at risk of body and *impedimenta*, [illegible] plane of 45 degrees, the wide [illegible] the boat to approach [illegible]

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